

ITEMS OF LOCAL INTEREST.

Miss Ella Bottorf, of Lemont, is a guest of her aunt, Mrs. Lizzie Jacobs, in town.

W. L. Jacobs and sister, Miss Margaret Jacobs, drove to Harrisburg on Monday morning, returning home in the evening.

H. B. Stover, of Reedsville, was a visitor in town on Saturday and favored this office with a call. Mr. Stover is employed in the Thompson store at Milroy.

The regular meeting of the W. C. T. U. has been postponed until Saturday evening when it will be held at the home of Mrs. W. B. Fiedler.—Mrs. W. P. Keller, sec.

The Week of Prayer services held here during last week were more largely attended than a year ago. The auditoriums of some of the churches were filled to capacity.

Miss Annie Glenn, of Rochester, N. Y., and her half-sister, Miss Helen Glenn, of Bellefonte, were recent guests over the week end of their aunt, Mrs. Jacob Shaver, in town.

A good axe was found on the trail to Laurel Spring, on Nittany Mountain, by the Cub Scouts. The owner may recover his property at the home of assistant Scoutmaster Ernest A. Frank.

A consignment of Dodge cars was received at Centre Hall by R. S. Hagaman, of the Hagam Garage, and Smith brothers the new firm of Dodge dealers with headquarters at State College.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union will observe their eleventh anniversary, Sunday evening, January 18th, at 7:30 o'clock in the Methodist church, Centre Hall. The public is cordially invited.—Mrs. Godshall, pres.

The children of Dr. and Mrs. J. V. Foster of State College, were at their home recently. John is a student in the University of Philadelphia, Miss Helen is teaching in the Canton public schools, and David, like his brother is in Philadelphia, but selected Temple University for his training.

Rev. William D. Marburger, the biathletic preacher who made speeches for Gifford Pinchot, is the same man who was dismissed from the church because of fraudulent conversion of \$1282 collected for Reformed colleges and the Bethany orphanage. He may get an appointment after next Tuesday.

The Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company held its annual meeting on Monday in the court house. All the former officers and directors were re-elected. The company had a prosperous year, according to a statement made by the secretary, F. M. Fisher. The amount of increase in insurance for the year was \$100,000.

While walking from her home to that of her sister, Mrs. W. H. Potter fell and received painful injuries which necessitated her remaining in bed for a few days. She was on a private driveway covered with limestone chips when she fell. The small stones penetrated one of her limbs below the knee, making numerous painful wounds.

December production of the Chevrolet Motor company as 64,018 cars and trucks, more than twice the 26,000 units built last December and by a wide margin the biggest twelfth-month in the company's history, W. S. Knudsen, president and general manager, announced upon his arrival for the opening of the automobile show in New York.

Mrs. William Harshbarger, of Altoona, driving a Chevrolet coupe, and R. A. Piner, of Reading, driving a Ford, collided at the junction of the Earlstown and State roads, near Old Fort. The Ford was going south and the Chevrolet was entering the State highway. Both cars were pretty badly damaged but no one was injured. The cars were brought to the Homan garage here for repairs.

The "Stop" sign that stood near the mill at the upper end of Reedsville on the Milroy-Reedsville road has been transferred over on the Reedsville-Bellefonte road, this making the Big Valley road a "second later." The motorist going east will get their brakes tested as this sign is nearly at the foot of the toll gate hill near the intersection of the Milroy-Reedsville and Reedsville-Bellefonte roads.

One of the Portage, Cam'ia county, national banks was obliged to close its doors some time ago. A large percentage of the bank's customers, it is said, are foreign born and these became panicky upon hearing rumors of the bank's condition; a run resulted and to avoid further trouble the bank was closed. John G. Eby, formerly cashier of the Farmers' National Bank, Millheim, was the cashier of the Portage bank.

When starting his Franklin coupe on leaving the front of the First National Bank here, on Tuesday afternoon, L. Frank Mayer, of Lemont, discovered the car had taken fire, but it was quickly extinguished by the use of a fire extinguisher carried from the bank. The flames had become brisk and other cars parked close by were also in danger. The damage done was slight, but the "might have been" results were much greater.

Mr. and Mrs. R. I. Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Shunk of town, on Sunday visited the former's daughter, Mrs. Ray Bayllets, in Bellefonte, who is confined to bed from sickness. Her condition dates back to several operations she underwent during the past few years. The couples went by train, and were the first to reach Samuel Stover, at Oak Hall, after his car was struck by the engine of the train carrying them, to give him aid.

The new portion of the State highway of route No. 45, being built through the Penitentiary site above Pleasant Gap, is being pushed along at a good rate of speed. The common labor is being done by inmates of Rockview, where the new section leaves the present road a fill of considerable importance will be made. The point is at the western end of the village of Peru. The natural contour of the route, aside from the depression referred to is level. The new and old roads will intersect a short distance west of the railroad crossing which is also west of the State institution. The new road will pass close by the improved penitentiary buildings.

DEATHS.

STRUNK—William David Strunk, for a number of years a resident in Centre Hall and Potter township, died at his home southeast of Zion, Friday evening from the effects of a paralytic stroke and complications. Interment was made at Centre Hall Monday afternoon, Rev. C. W. Rishel officiating.

Mr. Strunk was a son of Isaac Strunk and was born and reared in Milroy county. His wife, whose maiden name was Fietta Fiedler, died almost three years ago. One son, William Strunk, of Centre Hall, survives him, as do also two sisters, Mrs. Calvin Harter, of Jacksonsville, and Mary, in Lewistown.

Mr. Strunk was a farmer by occupation and at one time lived on the Lingle farm, west of here, and on the Rishel homestead, near Stone Mill, and on retiring lived in Centre Hall, from here he moved to the place of his death.

The deceased was aged 80 years.

MEYERS—Charles H. Meyers, 79 years of age, was found dead in bed at the home of his daughter, Mrs. R. J. Leigh, South Williamsport, Saturday morning at 8 o'clock.

Although Mr. Meyers had been in failing health for over three years, it is believed that his death was hastened through a fall down a flight of stairs two months ago, since which time he had been practically helpless. When he was put to bed Friday night he complained of feeling unusually tired and Saturday morning when a granddaughter went to his room she found that he was dead.

The deceased was a son of William Meyers, and was reared in Centre Hall. He went from here to Williamsport where he lived for many years.

His wife, who was a Miss Hunkle, died a few years ago, but besides the daughter with whom he resided, is a son, Charles Meyers, of Williamsport, also a sister, Mrs. George N. Arnold, of State College, and a brother, William Meyer, of Centre Hall.

MEYER—Cyrus H. Meyer, representative and respected Coburn citizen, died at his home in that town following an illness of complications in which death is attributed to pneumonia. Mr. Meyer was a son of the late Philip and Mary (Stover) Meyer and was born in Hain's township on the 24th of May, 1860, aged 70 years, 7 months and 10 days.

He was married October 27, 1889, to Sarah Catharine Winkleblech and to this union one child—Edith May—was born. She died in infancy. Surviving are the sorrowing wife and two brothers, Thomas A. and Philip S. Meyer, both of Coburn.

While of late years he lived a retired life, Mr. Meyer was long associated with the lumber industry in the firm of Meyer Bros., at Coburn.

His one main diversion from his regular routine of business was the holding of membership in the band, and he is said to have derived keen enjoyment in the band's activities.

He was a member of the Coburn Reformed church and his pastor, the Rev. G. A. Fred Griesing, had charge of the services which were held from the church last Thursday forenoon.

Interment was made in Fairview cemetery, Millheim.

LINGLE—Miss Alice Lingle, aged 59 years, 2 months and 19 days, of Lewistown, where she resided alone during the last eight years, died at the Lewistown hospital. She became ill of appendicitis, and two days later was admitted to the hospital where she underwent a surgical operation on the same day. Pneumonia developed, causing her death. Miss Lingle was the daughter of Solomon and Elizabeth Shunk Lingle, of Spring Mills, both deceased. She went to Lewistown to reside during the year 1912 and in the year 1922 she purchased the home where her death occurred. She leaves the following two brothers and four sisters: William H. Lingle, Tusseyville; Noah H. Lingle, Greenville, Mich.; Mrs. Andrew (Lydia) Dunlap, Mrs. Annie M. Eisenhuth, widow of Howard H. Eisenhuth, and Mrs. John (Dena) Lingle, Spring Mills, and Mrs. Harry (Mabel) Wingard, Coburn. Funeral services were conducted at her late residence by Rev. Dr. John H. Daubherty of the Methodist church; burial in St. Mark's cemetery, Lewistown.

BAIR—Mr. Annie M. Bair, wife of W. T. Bair, editor of the Phillipsburg Daily Journal, died on Saturday morning. She had been ill since the last day of 1930, and suffered greatly from a severe heart affection.

The deceased was born in Fannettsburg, Franklin county. Her marriage took place March 8th, 1881. The couple began housekeeping the same day. She was aged a little over 72 years.

Surviving the loss of a devoted and wonderful wife and mother are her husband and three daughters and one son, namely: Viola, wife of John E. Kauffert, of St. Benedict; Edna E., at home; Ethel, wife of R. P. Rickard, of Johnstown, and Joyce E., of Phillipsburg. Funeral services were conducted Monday afternoon from the family home, in charge of her pastor, Rev. B. B. Evans, with interment in Phillipsburg cemetery.

SOWERS—After suffering for several years from heart troubles, Henry A. Sowers died at his home in the Lytle addition, State College, at the age of 56 years, 2 months and 5 days. Deceased was the son of David and Margaret Harris Sowers and was born near State College. He was united in marriage to Maud Rishel, who survives, together with the following children, Guy, Claire, John, Florence, and Helen, all at home, and the following brothers and sisters: J. D., State College; Mrs. Shuck, Tyrone; Calvin, of Newberry, and Clayton. Interment was made at Pine Hill.

PLETCHER—William H. Pletcher, former superintendent of buildings and grounds at Eagles Mere park, died on Friday afternoon at his home at Howard. Funeral services were held Monday at 2 o'clock at the Howard Methodist church and burial made at Howard. Mr. Pletcher suffered a stroke of paralysis the early part of last week. He is survived by his wife.

COUNTY TAX RATE REDUCED

FROM TEN TO EIGHT MILLS  
The board of county commissioners reduced the county tax from ten to eight mills. The lopping off of two mills on this item will be appreciated by tax payers.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Floyd W. Fye.....Bellefonte  
Ethel M. Stoner.....Centre Hall  
Paul Reed.....Winburn  
Lyda Brown.....Phillipsburg  
Edward Gillon.....Julian  
Claire E. Young.....Bellefonte  
George W. Weber.....Phillipsburg  
Sue Terow.....Trout Run

The Dairymen's League will broadcast a business session over station WGY, Schenectady, Saturday, January 31st, at 1:30 P. M.

Paul Zellers, of Pleasant Gap, while driving a Chevrolet coupe, upset his car after skidding on the highway to the front of the Gettig meat market, in Pleasant Gap.

One of the Gregory brothers, a Greek, of State College, skidded and struck the side of the mountain at the watering trough, on Nittany Mountain, about five o'clock Monday morning. The car was a Chevrolet coach. The damage to the car was considerable.

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