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MISS MACKEN WILL MEET

WITH W. C. T. U. IN APRIL

With the spring season at hand activities in many organizations will be noticeable. The Woman's Christian Temperance Union will begin their campaign in good citizenship, social welfare and educational projects in real earnest. A State worker, Miss May Macken, of Philadelphia, will visit the county unions and promote and supervise new efforts.

Miss Macken will reach Philippsburg on April 2nd, work in churches and Sabbath schools and be present at an oratorical contest and covered-dish dinner. An evening meeting will be held on the 4th at Port Matilda and on the 5th at Julian with Martha Furnace in attendance, at the latter.

On April 6th a rally at Wingate, with Milesburg union present. Snow Shoe will have a covered-dish dinner and evening meeting on April 7th, and Howard will rally on the 8th in an evening meeting.

Other dates are as follows:

April 9th, at Blanchard; April 10, at Monument and Orviston; April 11, at Bellefonte; April 12, at Centre Hall; April 13, at Millheim and Aaronsburg; April 14, at Unionville; April 15, at Half-Moon.

The latter places all have not full plans to report. The institute will be an all-county affair and will have morning and afternoon sessions with box luncheon and a full program.

EARLE DISMISSES WASHBAUGH INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL DEPUTY

Gov. George H. Earle dismissed Samuel M. Washbaugh, deputy superintendent of the State Industrial School for boys, at Huntingdon, and requested his arrest for manslaughter. The order followed the death of Daniel Lamaur, 18, a Philadelphia negro inmate, who was given three administrations of tear gas.

The Governor says the third shot of tear gas was "unnecessary and unjustifiable, because it was administered after the inmate was subdued and disarmed."

Washbaugh, graduate of the Pennsylvania State College, and a former resident of Williamsport, was a safety supervisor in the state labor and industry department when Pennsylvania appointed him deputy superintendent at Huntingdon March 11, 1936. About 40 years old, he is married and the father of two children.

THE SCHOOL AND DEMOCRACY

The free common school is America's greatest gift to humanity. It belongs to the heritage of intelligent and responsible citizenship established by our pioneering forefathers. It is necessary to the success of our Republic. The school is the surest guarantee of our personal rights. It is the safeguard of our political liberties. It is the bulwark of our representative institutions. The school seeks to enrich and ennoble home life. It develops the skills needed in agriculture and industry. It helps awaken ambition and establish character. It emphasizes responsibility to the common good and the general welfare. The free school is the expression of a mighty faith. Because we believe in ourselves, in democracy and in the future, we seek through the schools to improve the quality of our lives.

PUBLIC SALES.

We are in the midst of the public sale season of farm stock and farm equipment. Sales in this section dated for this and next week are: Friday, March 18, 12 o'clock, by Charles and Clarence Miller; Tuesday, March 22, 10 o'clock, at Potter's Mills, by L. R. Wetand; Wednesday, March 23, 10:00 o'clock, at Tusseyville, by A. L. Slaterbeck; Tuesday, March 29, 9:30 a.m., between Pottery Mills and Tusseyville, by Robert E. Meeker.

Prices for all kinds of cattle and hogs, sheep and swine have been very fair. Horses, young and old, good and indifferent, sell for all they are worth. At a farm sale at Pleasant Gap this week a team sold for close to \$450. Farm machinery is also being bid up to its value compared with prices for new. The tractor is also bringing its true value.

The sale clerks are experiencing little trouble in the settlements. The greater number of buyers pay cash, the others come forward with the best of security. The owner is obliged to retain few if any articles regularly sold.

CENTRE COUNTY HOSPITAL NOTES.

Patients in the hospital from the south side of the county during the week of March 7:

Tuesday, admitted: Malvin P. Ream, Aaronsburg. Discharged: Harry D. Evans, Millheim; Mrs. Sterl Bressler, Aaronsburg; Mrs. Wm. F. Keen and infant daughter, Millheim.

Wednesday, admitted: Ernest Musick, Coburn.

Thursday, admitted: Ruth Ann Crater, Spring Mills.

Friday, admitted: Mrs. Wilbur Decker, Millheim; Miss Lois Lonberger, Boalsburg.

Saturday, discharged: Miss Mildred Stover, Spring Mills.

Sunday, admitted: Mrs. Leroy Weaver, Centre Hall, R. D.

There were forty-one patients in the hospital at the beginning of the week.

WALLING BIG CUT AT SOUTH END OF TOWN TO BEGIN

The WPA project sponsored by the county commissioners calling for the walling of the big cut at the Centre Hall borough-Potter township line is about to be commenced. The cut was the result of extending the building of State highway route No. 45 into the borough as far as the railroad crossing where it would finish at a natural elevation.

The cut varies in depth from zero to about ten feet and faces the properties of Wallace Ilgen and David Stoner, in the township, V. A. Auman and Mrs. W. A. Odenkirk in the borough on the west side.

On the east side the cut is of considerable less depth. It faces the properties of Mrs. E. W. Crawford and Clyde E. Bradford in Potter township, and G. O. Benner in the borough.

It is understood the bank will be walled and concrete steps built to the walk level at each of the properties named.

Twenty-four men, laborers, stone masons, carpenters and concrete finishers, also truck drivers, have been called. Clyde E. Bradford has been named foreman, having been switched from a foremanship on the Buffalo Run Valley road to the project at his door.

Attended National Press Conference

The National Press Conference held in New York City, March 10, 11 and 12, was attended by Mrs. Janet Parsons of the local high school faculty, with a group of Lock Haven Teachers College students. The conference was designed for high school work rather than being on the college level.

The meetings were held mainly in buildings at Columbia University and dealt with topics of make-up, editorials, news, etc. Representatives from almost every state in the union were assigned definite meetings to attend, and report on. The news reported by the students was printed in a small daily newspaper, "Conference Extra."

Mrs. Parsons stated she enjoyed most, not the conference, but New York City itself. Since education is the process of meeting new experiences, skyscrapers, Radio City, Chinatown, the foreign quarters, and Broadway are the things, she said, she would remember as a step toward a fuller education.

POE VALLEY ONE OF ELEVEN CCC CAMPS TO BE CLOSED

Eleven CCC camps in Pennsylvania are scheduled to be closed some time this summer. The eleven camps to be shut down are Poe Valley, also known as Oakrun; Mifflinburg, Renovo, Cedar Run, Somerset Ridgeway, Farrandville, Elmport, Sprankle, Marionville, and Wolf Rocks. The latter camp is also located in Centre county, on the Black Moshannon.

The eleven camps in Pennsylvania to be closed are a part of a total of 291 reductions to be made over the country. The reduction will leave 1,210 camps. The order also involves approximately 3000 camp officers and civilian officials. Actual camp abandonment will probably be begun around May 31.

It is predicted the 3000 officers to be dismissed under the restrictions will be placed on inactive duty.

BENEFIT PAYMENTS MADE TO UNEMPLOYED WORKERS TO FEB. 25, \$4,387,087

Benefits paid unemployed workers under the Pennsylvania Unemployment Compensation Law passed the \$6,000,000 mark Friday, March 4, when a total of 531,329 checks, with an aggregate total of \$6,079,508.95 had been issued. Secretary of Labor and Industry Ralph M. Bashore, announced. The average amount of each check was \$11.44. Of course the average varies for each office, depending upon the prevailing wages in each community during 1937.

During the same period there were 75,235 persons fulfilling the three-week waiting period, while 259,129 persons had completed their benefit week and their pay orders were forwarded to the Benefit Payment Section in Harrisburg. Of that number, 8,878 were found ineligible.

The Benefit Payment Section, from February 1 to February 25, issued was 925 checks, totaling \$9,250.50; representing an average check of \$11.46.

From the Bellefonte office for the week of Feb. 19 to 25, a total of 244 checks were issued, amounting to \$2,393.35. The accumulation to Feb. 25, was 925 checks, totaling \$9,250.50; average of each check, \$10.00.

The grand totals for the State were—Checks, 137,135, amount, \$1,553,892.50. Accumulation to the same date, Feb. 25, checks, 382,921; amount, \$4,387,087.96; average amount of each check, \$11.46.

TUSSEYVILLE

Mrs. W. S. Martz spent Tuesday with Mrs. Anna Rossmann.

Miss Miriam Homan of Centre Hall was a week-end guest of Miss Mary Swartz.

Rev. and Mrs. Charles Horney and two children of East Greenfield were recent visitors with Mrs. Horner's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Martz.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Detweiler of Colyer were Sunday visitors at the A. O. Detweiler home.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmet Jordan returned to their home at Reading after attending the funeral of a brother here.

CONFERENCE ADDS LEMONT TO CENTRE HALL PASTORATE

While twenty ministerial changes were made at the 99th annual session of the Central Pennsylvania Evangelical Conference which closed its sessions at Williamsport on Monday, none were made in Centre county. The changes were few in number compared with a few years ago.

As the above would indicate Rev. W. K. Hosterman was returned to Centre Hall, and his field of labor was enlarged from five to six parishes by taking Lemont from the State College field and placing it with the Centre Hall field where it had been a part up to five years ago. Rev. Hosterman now serves these six parishes: Centre Hall, Tusseyville, Locust Grove, Spring Mills, Bethesda and Lemont.

Rev. Jacob W. Zang, pastor at State College, like Rev. Hosterman, was returned to his former field.

Ministers ordained by the Conference included the Rev. William E. Bassom, Samuel A. Snyder, Jr., R. M. Jarrett, Harry A. DeWitt, I. C. Bailey, Jr., George W. Frey, Jr., George L. Miller, Lester L. Stabler, Woodrow Barntown and LeRoy Briminger.

Rev. Snyder is a son of Rev. and Mrs. S. A. Snyder, formerly of Centre Hall.

The Conference in 1939 will meet on March 5, in Carlisle.

BENNER STORE BUILDING BEING RAZED BY HERMAN KOENIG

The Benner store building recently purchased by Dewey Krumrine is being dismantled by Herman Koenig, of Bellefonte, who contemplates using the material in constructing a home in Bellefonte. Mr. Koenig is employed at the Titan Metal Works.

The structure is being razed to make room for the erection of a modern filling station by Mr. Krumrine, of State College.

M. WARD FLEMING SEEKS STATE POST

M. Ward Fleming, recently relieved as president judge of the Centre County Courts, will seek the Republican nomination for the secretaryship of internal affairs at the May 17 primary. The present incumbent of the office is Thomas A. Logus, Philadelphia Democrat, who will be a candidate for re-election.

Government Buys Farm

A farm in Walker township, north of Zion, owned by John A. Yearick, was sold last week to the United States Government for \$2,500. It is understood that the farm is to be put in good repair and sold, payments to the government to be made over a long period of years and at a minimum interest rate, in accordance with the Federal farm reclamation program.

GREGG TOWNSHIP VOCATIONAL SCHOOL NEWS

First Girls' Play-Off Game Friday—The Gregg Township girls' basketball team will meet the Snow Shoe High girls' team in the gymnasium at Spring Mills in the first play-off game for the league championship, on Friday, March 18, at 8 p. m. The Snow Shoe girls by winning 36-30 over the Gregg girls at Centre Hall last Friday night, won the first-half championship, and will now play a three-game series, if necessary, with the Gregg girls who were winners of the second half. It is the plan to play the series on a home and home basis with the third game, if necessary, on a neutral floor. Admission to the game at Spring Mills Friday night will be school children 10c and adults 25c. The second game of the series will be played at Snow Shoe next week.

Seniors Rehearsing Play, "There Goes the Bride"—The members of the senior class have started practicing the play, "There Goes the Bride," which they will present as their class play in the auditorium at Spring Mills in April. The tentative date has been set for Friday, April 8.

Ten Pupils Named on Honor Roll—The following ten pupils were named on the scholastic honor roll for the fifth period which closed on March 4: Betty Lee, Hazel Zettle, Jean Watts, Mary Zettle, Lois Shook, Bernice Fetterolf, Barbara Fetterolf, Ruth Zabler, Marie Long, and Jean Musser. A pupil must have a grade point average of 2.5 or better to be named on the scholastic honor roll.

Vocational Pupils Having Perfect Attendance—The following pupils of the high school have perfect attendance records to the end of the fifth period on March 4—Catharine Barger, Gladys Grove, Martha Keller, Mildred Stover, Marie Long, Viola Crader, Hester Ripka, Walter Snavely, Jean Musser, Gladys Shawver, Pauline Strickler, Helen Haugh, Ruth Henrick, Gladys Strickler, Kenneth Albright and Donald Rossmann.

Seniors Lead in Scholarship—The scholastic averages for the fifth period are as follows:

First, senior class1.94
Second, sophomore class1.71
Third, freshman class1.43
Fourth, junior class1.34
School average1.60

The County Sing will be held in the Methodist church at Unionville, Sunday, March 20, at 2:30 p. m. All the churches in the county are asked to join in and help make this a real success in building a better moral and spiritual condition in our county. The male chorus of Pine Grove Mills will be on hand and help make the service worthwhile.—Committee.

BENNER FARM SOLD; CLARENCE BLAZER, BUYER

The Benner farm, near Old Fort, was sold Saturday morning at public sale by George O. Benner. The purchaser was Clarence Blazer, and the price paid, \$3100. The farm contains 125 acres. Mr. Blazer, tenant on the Henshall farm at Earlstown, will not occupy the place for the present.

The buildings were erected in 1872 and 1873 by William Benner. The land is a part of the George Odenkirk farm, now known as the Old Fort farm, having been divided by Mr. Odenkirk to accommodate his son, John P. Odenkirk, and daughter, Mrs. Benner.

Mr. Blazer, it is reported, will operate his new holdings in connection with the Henshall farm. The place will be occupied by Paul Ross, now living on the Cummings farm, west of Old Fort.

[Note: After the above item was in type, John Benner, an heir, informed the Reporter that the sale of the Benner farm would not be permitted to be consummated, since he had not signed off to permit its sale. Mr. Benner states he would purchase the farm at the same price bid at the sale. He claims to have sought legal advice on the matter, and will take steps to acquire the old-home farm.]

FUNERAL OF MRS. BRADFORD VERY LARGELY ATTENDED

The funeral of Mrs. Nancy Bradford was very largely attended on Saturday afternoon. All the children of the deceased were present as were also some of the grandchildren.

Among those closely related from a distance to attend the funeral were: From Willard, Ohio—Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bradford, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Bradford, Mr. and Mrs. William Bradford, Charles Bohn; from Phoenixville—Mrs. J. R. Bible, Mr. and Mrs. George Wlaneski, Mr. and Mrs. Timothy McCann, Mrs. Harry Beckhart, Mr. and Mrs. William Bradford, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Bradford, Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Moses, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Biltz, Wilton Bradford, Randall Bradford; from Milroy—Mr. and Mrs. George Bradford, Mr. and Mrs. Cloyd Reed, Mrs. Grant Reed; from Brownsville—Mrs. John Crowe; from Lock Haven—Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur McClellan.

NEIGHBORS GIVE MRS. BROOKS FAREWELL PARTY, WEDNESDAY

Neighbors among whom she had lived for thirty-four years gave Mrs. Annie Brooks a farewell party at Rhonemede on Wednesday evening of last week.

Mrs. Brooks and her husband, the late J. Cloyd Brooks, moved to Rhonemede thirty-years ago. They began farming operations four years previous, on the then Conley farm, now owned by George W. Sharer, where they lived two years, and a like time on the present Earl Ross farm in the Rhonemede neighborhood.

The couple proved successful farmers and an asset in the community in which they lived. They were truly neighborly and engaged actively in community, church and fraternal movements. After the death of Mr. Brooks, Mrs. Brooks carried out the same spirit. The family is now composed of Mrs. Brooks, her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Wagner. They will locate in Centre Hall in the home owned by Mrs. Brooks, about the first of April.

The neighbors who participated in the farewell affair included Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Neff, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Ralston, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Ralston and family, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Miller and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Miller and family, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Ross and family, Mrs. Lettie Glasgow and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. William Glasgow and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hanna and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Brooks and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. James Brooks and son, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Brooks and family, Clayton Wagner, Dorothy McMichael, Lila Brooks.

GOOD WORK BY SPRING MILLS FISH AND GAME ASS'N

The Spring Mills Fish and Game Association in a letter sent out to its members states that during the past year it has had excellent results in rearing brown trout, being able to place in streams about 9000. The association through its efforts was able to secure from other sources for distribution in suitable streams 10,000 brown trout, 13,700 brook trout and 3000 rainbow. To aid the work the association is pleading for the renewal of memberships and interesting others to become members. The membership fee is \$1.00 per year, which may be sent to the secretary, Guy L. Corman, Spring Mills.

LOAN FOR SEED, FERTILIZER MAY BE MADE FRIDAY

Loans are now being made for the purpose of purchasing seed and fertilizer for the production of crops, the maximum amount being \$400.00. The rate of interest this year will be 4%.

Louis E. Schucker, State Supervisor of the Emergency Crop and Feed Loan Office will be at the County Agent's office on Friday, March 18, at 1:00 p. m. at Bellefonte to accept applications for crop loans. Any one interested in this loan should call on him there at that time.

Any one wishing to get in touch with Mr. Schucker and who cannot meet him at the place and time mentioned above, should write to him at Box 864, Harrisburg, Pa.

CHAMPIONSHIP BASKETBALL GAME MONDAY, MARCH 21

The championship of the Central Penna. Independent Basketball League will be decided Monday evening of next week, March 21, on the high school auditorium floor in Centre Hall when the Y. M. C. A. team of Bellefonte, winners of the first-half, will play the Spring Mills team, winners of the second-half. The winners of the contest will be awarded the league trophy, a handsome winged figure peculiarly representative of the game. Each player on the winning team will also receive a miniature gold-filled basketball.

The Centre Hall team finished third in the race among the eight clubs. Preceding the championship game will be a contest between the Centre Hall Independents and the Army Troop team of Bellefonte, consequently a full evening of good sport is assured fans.

G-MAN TO ADDRESS BIBLE CLASS MEETING, MARCH 31

A caravan of automobiles filled with local county Bible class workers is being arranged to transport delegates to the great regional Lenten Conference for Bible classes which will be held in the First Presbyterian church at Hollidaysburg, the afternoon and evening of Thursday, March 31. Advance registrations indicate that the meeting which is sponsored by all denominations, county Sunday school associations, and the Pennsylvania Adult Bible Class Federation will break all records for attendance, at this type of meeting in this section of the state.

The speaker at the great mass rally to be held in the evening will be R. J. Untreiner, a "G-Man" in the service of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D. C.

There is no registration fee for the conference which opens at four o'clock in the afternoon. Any adult Bible class worker in Bedford, Blair, Centre, Clearfield and Huntingdon counties will be admitted to the meetings. A fellowship dinner in honor of the visiting counties will be served by the host church.

TO ORGANIZE CIVIC CLUB WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6TH

At a meeting to be held on Wednesday afternoon, April 6, at 2:15 o'clock, at the home of Mrs. J. S. Booser, an effort will be made to organize a civic club for Centre Hall and community. At a preliminary meeting held at the home of Mrs. F. V. Goodhart to ascertain the sentiment relative to the movement, sixteen ladies were present, all of whom expressed themselves favorable to forming a permanent organization.

Mrs. Wallace Ward, Bellefonte, chairman of the county organization, and Mrs. D. M. Hutchinson, Pleasant Gap, president of the Pleasant Gap club were present at the meeting held last week to aid in shaping sentiment by explaining benefits derived from the civic club movement.

SIX IN FARRINGTON LIQUOR CONSPIRACY CASE FREED

Indictments charging six men with complicity in the "Prince Farrington liquor conspiracy ring" were nullified by Federal Judge Albert W. Johnson Saturday on recommendation of the federal district attorney.

The indictments were returned against Asher G. Tomb, Elmer Stedebacher and Kyle Coltrane, all of Lycoming county; Hugh C. Morrow, of York; Damino Frazzita of Brooklyn, N. Y., and Vincent Coppola, of New York City.

FARM CALENDAR.

Timely Reminders from Pennsylvania State College School of Agriculture

Keep Garden Record—If you are not doing so, begin now to keep a garden record book. Record the dates of sowing seed, planting and transplanting for each variety. Note the time of bloom of each annual, perennial and shrub. Keep a record of where and when plants and seeds were purchased and the results obtained. Such a record kept over a period of years will be very valuable, say Penn State ornamental horticulturists.

Reduce Soil Erosion—Topsoil losses from erosion can be reduced by dividing sloping fields into contour, strips, say Penn State agronomists. Strips of hay or wheat between strips of corn or oats in the crop rotation will break up the slopes into alternate erosion-resisting and erosion-encouraging crops.

Take Care of Sheep—A few hours spent in the sheep barn at lambing time will pay big dividends. Penn State livestock specialists point out. However, if the flock has been properly fed and exercised, little trouble should arise.

Use Healthy Seed—It is false economy to use seed potatoes of inferior quality, say Penn State plant pathologists. Poor stands, lower yields, and low-grade product due to tuber-borne diseases are likely to be the result.

Grow Good Plants—Proper watering and ventilation are important practices in the growing of early plants, report Penn State vegetable gardeners.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

Ray Stover of Woodward became the proprietor of the Millheim meat market.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis B. Reiber and children made a trip to Reading the latter part of last week.

William Fetterolf and son, Burton, of near town, attended the funeral of D. R. Wagner, an uncle of the former, at Bellefonte, recently.

Helton Curtis Wilson, 45, former assistant cashier of the DuBois National bank, is under federal indictment on charges of embezzling \$5,390.90 of the bank's funds.

The latter part of last week as well as the beginning of the present week furnished weather not so pleasant, yet warm. Rain fell during much of Sunday and continued into Monday.

Boake Carter, columnist and news commentator, is charged with having entered the United States on a Russian visa. The Washington Herald states the charge is being investigated.

Should the board of county commissioners decide to purchase the Bellefonte Academy building as a home for county dependents, the county's poor for once would be sitting pretty high.

Miss Anna Stover, R. N., in Government service during and since the World War, now located at Aspinwall, Allegheny county, recently spent a few days with her brothers and sisters in and about Centre Hall.

The administrators of the estate of W. H. Long sold the home near Coburn to Ralph Kerstetter for \$900. The sale included sixteen acres of land. The Long farm in Haines township was bid up to \$1200, but no sale was made.

The children of the late Mrs. Nancy Bradford take this means of expressing their appreciation of the many acts of kindness, aid and comfort extended to them during the last illness and subsequent death of their mother.

The business, conducted by M. L. Claster & Sons, Inc., Bellefonte, was taken over by Aaron H. Claster, Samuel W. Benjamin Claster and Milton I. Claster, who will operate under a partnership under the name of M. L. Claster & Sons.

Charlie Wert and son, Walter, of Madisonburg, began sawing lumber on the Steward Benner timber tract, at Woodward, for the Heimbach Lumber company. The same company also bought a small timber tract from William Book in the same neighborhood.

Ernest Music of Coburn, while employed on a ditching project at Penn State was struck by a clam-shovel and rendered unconscious. He was removed to the Centre County hospital where it was found he was suffering from chest and other injuries.

George B. Stevenson, mayor of Lock Haven, announces himself a candidate for the Republican nomination for State senator, from the 26th district, which comprises Clinton, Elk, Cameron, Forest, and Clarion counties. To date he is the only candidate of his party.

Paul Bradford returned to the Pine Grove Furnace CCC camp Monday afternoon, after having been at his home here for a few days due to the death of his mother. Mr. Bradford informed the writer that the camp in which he is located as a foreman is rated the highest in the state.

Miss Sarah Odenkirk, of Centre Hall, a junior in the Department of Music at Ithaca College, participated in the annual Student Scampers for the benefit of the student scholarship loan fund. Before two capacity audiences in the Little Theater on successive nights, Miss Odenkirk took part in "Silhouette," a musical picture built around the song, "Love Comes But Once," a student's original composition. The skit was presented by members of Delta Phi sorority. Miss Odenkirk is the daughter of Mrs. W. A. Odenkirk.

The Women's Missionary Society of the Evangelical church met at the home of Mrs. Daniel Daup on Thursday evening. Those present were Mrs. Samuel Bitner, Mrs. David Graybill, Mrs. David Stoner, Mrs. Wm. Fiedler, Mrs. W. K. Hosterman, Mrs. Geo. Ralston, Miss Martha Yearick and Miss Ida Frazier. Mrs. Hosterman had charge of the devotions. Miss Yearick and Miss Frazier gave a playlet in connection with the missionary topic. After the business meeting was over a social hour was enjoyed during which refreshments were served.

The free lunch is gradually dying out at public sales, at least so in Penns Valley, and in its stead meat sale bills carry the notice, "Lunch will be served by the Ladies' Aid Society," or some other church organization. This, of course, gives a profit to the one serving the lunch, whereas, in years gone by the farmer holding the venue was obliged to feed some 500 or 700 persons free of charge. This was a big item of expense, often running to \$75.00 and more, and required much hard work by the family and neighbors right at a time when work was mountain high in preparation for the sale of the farm stock, implements and household effects. The free lunch is out, and no farmer would care to revive it. It was a gross injustice to the farmer.