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E. F. IRVIN

### Special Notice.

To our correspondents as—no paper will be issued from this office next week all correspondents will kindly note this. The next issue will be on January 2nd, 1908, for which we would like to have a newsy letter from every point of the county.

### REBERSBURG.

Mrs. Kathryn Burd, is visiting friends and relatives at Millburg this week.

Mrs. Adam Auman, of Union county, visited her daughter and other relatives here.

The Reformed Sunday school, at this place, will have an entertainment on Christmas evening. A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend.

Union Evangelistic services commenced on Sunday, December 15th. The initial service was held in the United Evangelical church, in the morning at 10 a. m. Services will be held Sunday evening at the usual hour, and every evening during the week. Evangelist B. F. Campbell, of Catsasquaga, will preach at these services, and will assist each evening for three weeks.

A. J. Hazel, an up-to-date merchant, has a full line of fine Christmas toys, such as dolls, all sizes, jumping jacks, teddy bears of brown and white, sleds, all sizes, with many other beautiful toys.

Harry Bair, wife and children, of Altoona, are visiting their grand-parents, Mr. Wm. Bair and other relatives here.

### HARRIS TWP.

George Lohr and friend, Nora Miller, spent Saturday eve at the home of D. B. Thomas.

Clarence Meckley, of Altoona, spent a few days at home in Shingletown.

Robert Leech and friend, Winnie Thomas, took supper with their friend Nora Miller.

E. W. Hess and family spent Sunday at the home of N. E. Hess.

Mr. Wagner and wife, after spending a few months with friends and relatives, have returned to their home in Altoona.

Among some of the large pigs killed in Shingletown, Mr. Koch killed one of the largest, weighing 615 lbs.

Owing the teachers enforcing the vaccination law in Harris twp., the schools are somewhat crippled; one has been closed for ten days and is down to three scholars.

Walter Weaver, the boss thresher, threshed over 49,000 bushels.

### PINE GLENN.

Fine sleighing.

Hazel Lewis, who has been visiting her sister at Clearfield, returned home on Tuesday.

Mrs. Hannah Kern, of Philipsburg, is visiting her son John Kern, here.

Miss Reiter, of Karthaus, spent Sunday at A. V. Daugherty's.

Rudolph Askey and LeRoy Lewis, made a business trip to Moshannon, on Monday.

Edward and Raymond Hoover spent Sunday with their parents here.

Harry Meeker was a Pittsburg, visitor last week.

Mrs. Emma Force has purchased a new organ from J. M. Bunnell.

Rudy said "that he is sorry that hauling coal to the school houses didn't last all winter." What's the attraction?

### BELLWOOD.

On Friday evening, Dec. 13, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Reese, in Bellwood, through the invitation of his wife, it being the thirty-fifth anniversary of his birth, some friends took him completely by surprise. It is needless to say they all enjoyed themselves; there was some fine graphophone selections played by Frank Keller, and at about 12 o'clock there was a fine supper prepared by his wife. Those present were: Seymour Confer and wife, Miss Mable Friese, Miss Tessa Sliker, John Sliker, and Mrs. A. A. Alkey, of Milesburg, Centre Co.; and G. W. Reese and wife, G. C. Davis and wife, B. M. Hamilton and wife, Alva Caswell and wife, Harry Harvey and wife, Miss Edith Keller, Frank Keller, Mrs. Carry McCauley, all of Bellwood.

### WADDLE.

There will be a Christmas entertainment at the U. B. church at Paradise on Christmas night; everybody is invited.

Rev. J. R. Miller has closed his revival meeting at Houserville and will begin it here on Friday evening, Dec. 27, 1907.

Victor Evey, of Altoona, spent some time visiting his cousin, H. H. Evey. We see that one of our young ladies has a handsome look since he went home.

Miss Bertha Eckley, of Valley View, spent part of last week with her friend, Jessie Way.

The eleventh commandment might very well be "Mind your own business."

### THE LOOKOUT MAN.

Now listen, little child, run, an' I'll tell a story true,  
An' better you remember, 'cause it means a lot to you.  
An' if you heed th' lesson, then when Chris'mas time is here  
You'll git a lot of pleasure, an' a lot of Chris'mas cheer.  
Th' Lookout Man is walkin' when the stars begin t' peep  
To see if little child'r an' in bed an' fast asleep;  
An' all who act up naughty an' don't mind their ma's and pa's  
Th' Lookout Man is watchin'—an' he'll tell O' Santa Claus.  
I knowed a little feller wunst who got real bad an' said  
He didn't care fr' Santa Claus, an' wouldn't go t' bed;  
Said that he didn't have t' mind—O, he was awful bad,  
An' didn't care the leastest mite 'bout makin' folks feel sad.  
But when it come t' Chris'mas time he didn't git a thing  
'Cause Santa Claus had heard o' him an' not a thing he'd bring.  
He knew that bad boy's record—better mind your ma's and pa's;  
Th' Lookout Man is watchin'—an' he'll tell O' Santa Claus.  
I also knowed a little girl who was just awful bad.  
She wouldn't learn her lessons an' she wouldn't go t' bed;  
If anybody told her t' be still an' hush her noise—  
Well, she was allus wishin' fr' a lot o' Chris'mas toys.  
But when 'twas Chris'mas mornin' t' her wonder an' surprise  
An empty stockin' hangin' in th' corner met her eyes.  
You see, she acted naughty—better mind your ma's and pa's;  
Th' Lookout Man is watchin'—an' he'll tell O' Santa Claus.  
Th' Lookout Man is peepin' thro' th' winders ev'ry night,  
An' countin' up th' child'r who ain't allus actin' right.  
An' givin' o' th' best as wunst when told it's time t' go.  
An' never puttin', not a bit, or takin' clothes off slow.  
He puts 'em in his good book, but th' bad ones in th' bad;  
An' when he write's a bad one he looks, O, just awful sad.  
'Cause he knows they wunt git nothin'—better mind your ma's and pa's;  
Th' Lookout Man is watchin'—an' he'll tell O' Santa Claus.  
—Commoner

### UNIONVILLE.

John F. Holt, wife and little daughter, are off on an extended visit to friends in Pittsboro and Pittsburg, and will also visit Mrs. Holt's sister, Mrs. Elmer Riley, at Bucyrus, Ohio.

Don't go to Bellefonte to buy Christmas presents, Johnnie Stere has enough to supply this whole community and just as cheap as any where else.

Since Paul Neff, the jolly brakeman on the B. E. V. railroad, went off and committed matrimony, his successor, Jay Budd, is flirting with our girls and the first thing you'll know he'll go off and do likewise and break our poor girls' hearts.

The other day Billy McEwen climbed off the 5 o'clock passenger train, carrying one of those mammoth, First National Bank calendars. Geo. Fisher asked me if I thought that might be a marriage license. Now, I don't know whether this joke is on George or on Billy.

The venerable octogenarian, David Lohr, formerly of Centre county, but now of Altoona, has been visiting friends in this county for several weeks. Dave is one of those big hearted, good natured souls, that if you were to ask him for a nickel, would as like as not give you a dollar.

He was at one time, a candidate for sheriff of this county, but, as Sternburg used to say, "he didn't quite make it."

Pretty Betsy Hall is at home on a visit.

P. J. McDonnell, section boss at this place, has again carried off the annual \$50.00 prize for having his section of the road in the best condition of any on the B. E. Valley and T. and C. roads. This is the third prize he has captured in six years, and once in a while it gets pretty cold when Pat gets left. Of course, with a big heart thumping in his bosom, he always comes down handsomely with his trackmen, with a portion of it.

Rev. James Pratt arrived home from college on Tuesday evening.

On Tuesday morning, the body of Bush Calhoun was brought from Snow Shoe to this place for interment in cemetery east of town. The cause of his death was said to be heart failure. As much as I could learn he left to survive him a wife and daughter, and the following brothers and sisters: Irvin Calhoun, of this place; Norman Calhoun, of Milroy, and Mrs. J. B. Alexander, of the Intersection. Services were conducted by the pastor of the M. E. church, of Snow Shoe, by whom a very high tribute was paid him. He emphasized the words "he was a good man." He was assisted by Rev. Dr. Piper, services were held in the M. E. church here. His age was nearly 56 years.

On Sunday afternoon, the centennial of the birthday anniversary of the great Quaker poet, John Greenleaf Whittier, was celebrated in the Friends' church. The exercises were conducted by Mrs. Dr. E. A. Russell, Sr., and were of a highly interesting character. The program was well prepared and the selections and eulogies well rendered. The program was as follows: Eulogy by Gilbert Underwood; The Branded Hand—Miss Nannie Fisher; The Robins—Miss Elsie Fisher; A trio of poems by Ruth Parsons, Hannah Holt and Edith Simmons; Incidents in the life of Whittier—Miss Sue Underwood; Exceptionally fine Snow Storm—Margaret Brady; Interesting selection—Mary Underwood, of Bellefonte; Whittier's religious faith—Miss Marie Griest; and a selection by the same, both of which were highly interesting and well rendered; Whittier's fondness for children—Master William Fisher; Characters from Whittier's poems—Chapman Underwood. Those who have heard Chappy speak once, want to hear him again. School Days, by Mrs. H. E. Holtzworth. Perhaps the prize winner on this occasion, ago considered, was Master William Fisher. The excellent manner in which he rendered his piece was remarkable, and was a surprise to every one present, without any evidence of the least embarrassment, he read with a clear, strong, articulated voice, and the expression of face, as he occasionally glanced over the audience, would have done credit to Bob Bardette, himself.

### SNOW SHOE TWP.

#### FOUNTAIN.

Harry Witherite, who has been employed at Monument recently, spent Sunday with his family here.

Harvey Heaton, and sister Rosie, of Yarnell, were guests of Chas. Heaton's Sunday.

Wm. McCloskey, of Jersey Shore, spent Sunday here.

Roll Shank spent Saturday in Bellefonte and accompanied his wife home on Saturday night; she had been at the hospital for several weeks.

Bertha and Kathryn Watson spent Sunday among friends at Clarence.

There are quite a number of people taking advantage of the sleighing.

L. C. Ydrk made a short call at Runville.

#### FOUNTAIN, NO. 2.

Paul Shultz visited his lady friend, Sarah Cartright, Sunday.

Two young ladies were very pleasantly entertained at the home of Mr. McCloskey.

### PORT MATLIDA.

Since cold weather has come, the boys of our town are wishing to see the wheels of our saw mill set spinning so they might get some slabs for wood.

We are sorry to learn of Dr. S. U. Harshbarger having trouble with his eye, and hope that it will come right again. His faithful work in our community is much appreciated.

"Genius is still alive in the world." For the good of the teamsters of the country, who may have some sledding to do this winter, would have these few lines printed. Signs convince us that there will be no snow this winter. The worm, so commonly called "the black prophet," has little or no black about him, but wears a coat of brown. Another sign to attract my attention was found by examining a pin sled built by a couple of gentlemen (railroaders by trade.) The sled was built very close to the ground; the top pinned close to the sole. Now, surely, there will be little snow or this marvelous sled would have been made higher. I say it is marvelous and I mean it, so many good features about it, being low prevents the cold winds from blowing under the sled and chilling one while coasting. And then the brake; well, there is none, and none is needed; don't know whether a patent has been granted yet or not, but the sled is made wide in front and narrow behind—so no braking is needed whatever. I think the boys are expecting to hire it to Santa Claus to place behind his beautiful reindeer. If he doesn't hire it, think when he sees it he will pat the boys on the shoulder, (having a broad smile) and whisper to them bravely: "I don't believe in putting a lighted candle under a bushel, so by this item I mean to throw a flash of light to my fellows informing them of what is going on, and at the same time advertise a little for the boys. If you are interested in having a patent on your sled, inquire of Willie & Mossy."

### COFURN.

John Falts and family, of Pleasant Gap, spent several days with friends in this community.

Herbert Hosterman, wife and Lida Hosterman, all of Woodward, spent Sunday with the family of C. H. Hosterman who recently returned from Buffalo and are now at home near Sober.

Harry Frankenberg, of Smithtown, visited at the home of L. H. Stover, on Sunday.

There is often complaint that the churches of today are too cold and formal, but that cannot be said of the meetings now in progress in the United Evangelical church here, for it is an old time Holy Ghost revival, such as was never witnessed here before. To date eighteen souls were happily converted and others are still seeking pardon from sin.

W. J. Rote and wife left on Monday for Chambersburg, where they intend to make their future home.

Oscar Catherman and wife, of Millmont, spent a few days at the home of W. D. Snoler who is confined to the house suffering with nervous prostration.

Mrs. A. S. Black, of Philadelphia, is visiting her sick father, Michael Everett.

Blanche Treaster, of Milroy, is spending some time with her uncle, Homer Treaster.

J. M. Linn, of Three Bridges, N. J., and C. F. Kerstetter, are visiting their many friends in this community.

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### RECENT DEATHS.

EDGAR GARMAN—The nine months old son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Garman, of Water street, died last week and was buried Wednesday afternoon 11th.

MRS. PETER MARTIN—of Marsh Creek, died on Wednesday, of last week from a complication of diseases. She was well known in that vicinity as a lady who tried to do what was right. The funeral took place Friday.

GEORGE NEARHOOD—Tuesday morning 10th death ended the life of George Nearhood, an old resident of Warriors-mark valley. The cause of his death was cancer of the stomach from which the deceased has been a patient sufferer for years.

BELVA ALMEDA LUCAS—daughter of E. R. and Margaret Lucas, of Altoona, died of pneumonia Saturday morning, aged 3 years and 5 days. The remains were taken to Milesburg, on seashore express on Saturday morning and interred in the Advent church cemetery.

MARY SHEARER—Wife of Thomas Shearer, died at Mackeyville Thursday evening 12th, after a brief illness of tuberculosis, aged 18 years. She was a bride of but several months and is survived by her husband and father. Interment in Cedar Hill cemetery.

MRS. GEORGE BURNS—of Pennsylvania Furnace, died Tuesday, of last week. Mrs. Burns was a faithful member of the United Brethren church, and a worthy woman who will be missed in that community. Left to survive her are her husband and ten children. The funeral services were held Thursday morning at 9 o'clock. Interment was made at Mt. Pleasant cemetery.

MRS. JOHN C. HANSON—died at her home in Harrisburg, Sunday, 1st instant, due to pneumonia. The deceased, Evelyn Benner, was the daughter of Seth Benner, and was born and raised at Potters Mills. She is survived by her husband, also John Benner, a brother, of El Paso, Texas, and a sister, Julia, now the wife of John Johnson, of Harrisburg. Her age was fifty-two years.

MARTIN MEISE—died at his home in Houghton, Mich., November 30th, of Bright's disease, aged 69 years, 6 mo. and 9 days. He was formerly a resident of Benner twp and was a carpenter, having left here in 1867. He is survived by two brothers: John, of Sandusky, Ohio, and Edward, of Coleville, near Bellefonte; and two sisters, Mrs. Eph. Keller, of Pleasant Gap, and Wm. Keller, of Axeman. Mrs. Martin was Miss Rebecca Gerbrick, who died six years ago, and was a sister of Amos Garbrick of Coleville.

BARNEY MENDELMAN, a well known and highly esteemed Jewish resident of Philipsburg, who went to the German hospital in Philadelphia about three weeks ago to be treated for a tumorous affection of the stomach, died on Friday in the above institution after having undergone an operation. He had been in failing health for a couple of years. The deceased was a native of Russia coming to this country in 1880. He first resided in Clearfield, but went to Philipsburg about 25 years ago. He is survived by his wife and one son, Leon, and a brother who resides in New York.

JOHN NICHOLAS—an aged resident of Sugar valley, died Saturday forenoon at 9 o'clock of dropsy. He was in his 78th year. Funeral services were conducted this forenoon in the Tylersville Lutheran church.

### MT. EAGLE.

Lena Confer, of Sunnyside, invited some of her friends in for supper on butchering day. Those present were: Anna Dietz, Mame Smoyer, Ethel Leathers, Justus Leathers, Wm. Gates, Roland Butler, all report a fine time.

Corra and Maude Dietz spent a day last week in Bellefonte.

Theo. Leathers, wife and son Lester, visited at Roland on Sunday.

Mrs. Teddy Leathers and Mrs. T. G. Leathers made a short call at Howard on Monday.

Florence Leathers, of Yarnell, visited her mother on Sunday.

Mrs. Henry Shultz and Bulah Bryan of Curtin, visited in our town on Monday.

### BOGGS TWP.

#### HOLTS HOLLOW.

LeRoy Neff, of Castanea, spent a few days with friends and relatives.

John Mills and wife, Sundayed at Fair View.

Albina Watson, of Divide, is spending a week with friends and relatives at Fairview.

Quite a number of Bellefonte people

were seen passing through our streets on Sunday.

A merry Christmas to all.

### How Her Life Was Saved When Bitten by a Large Snake.

How few people there are who are not afraid of snakes. Not long ago a harmless little garter snake fell on the wheel of an automobile which was being driven by a woman. The woman promptly fainted and the car, left to its own resources, ran into a stone wall and caused a serious accident.

The bite of a poisonous snake needs prompt attention. Mrs. K. M. Fisher, Route No. 1, Box 40, Dillsburg, Pa., tells how she saved her life when bitten by a large snake.

"On August 29, 1906, I was bitten on the hand twice by a large copperhead snake. Being a distance from any medical aid, as a last resort I used Sloan's Liniment, and to my astonishment found it killed all pain and was the means of saving my life. I am the mother of four children and am never without your Liniment.

On Sunday the Fifth avenue M. E. church, of Altoona, celebrated the fifth anniversary of its dedication with quite elaborate services. Rev. James B. Stein, of Bellefonte, who was the first pastor in the church when it was completed, preached the anniversary sermon at 10-30 o'clock in the morning.

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