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SECOND CHAPTER OF BRUSHVALLEY HISTORY

AN INTERESTING ARTICLE BY A NATIVE SON.

FARMER RAISED FLAX AND HEMP

The tedious process through which the flax underwent before turned into wearing apparel for men and women.

The previous article embraces that part of the old valley between Wolf's Store and Rebersburg to the west end. The writer is not sufficiently informed as to the east end and the plantations lying west of "the Pike" to write with any degree of accuracy from recollection. Hence this article covers only from Rebersburg to Rockville.

The farm now occupied by Lowell Bierly was formerly owned by Adam Miller, and before him by his father, who was familiarly called "Rothe Miller," because of his ruddy complexion. The Alexis Bair message was formerly a part of the Kramer holdings. The small homestead where some of our stalwarts were raised, was originally the Henry Smull plantation. It is now in part, owned by Charles Smull, grandson of what was formerly the Geo. W. Harter farm is now occupied by the widow and sons of Philip Hubler. Before them John Hubler owned it and maintained a cider press for the use of the public. There are still a few remnants of the old apple orchard below the road, which was planted by John Buchtel, who built there the first house in Brushvalley, according to tradition. In Hon. Henry Meyer's genealogy of the Meyer family we find a note (p. 58) that Buchtel came from Wurtemberg, Germany, registering at Philadelphia, Sept. 14, 1753, and lived for a time at McKee's Half Falls, not far from the Mahatongo (called Machadunka by the old folks).

The reason why the Pennsylvania Germans left the rich and fertile valleys which bordered on the historic Rhine is founded in the deepest principles of religion and politics. For freedom of conscience and personal liberty they took such family relics and heirlooms as they could carry, snatched from the fires of religious hate and devilish church and statecraft, and mortgaged their future industry, and muscle and brains, to secure a home in a new land. They were all intensely anti-Roman Catholic, mostly Lutheran and German Reformed, and their descendants to this day generally adhere to the patriarchal faith. Some years ago Hon. William Beideman, of Easton, State Senator from that section, visited the Pinebluffs and all the German states to satisfy himself whether Pennsylvania German was merely a "Dutch lingo," "patois," "hybrid" or "gibberish" as some of our ignorant Yankee politicians characterized it, or whether it was really a distinct dialect with a habitation, a grammar and a name. He wrote the story of the Pennsylvania German, and proved that his language, manners, religion, politics have antiquity, permanence and glory. He did more; he traced with a master hand the religious and political causes which led to the expatriation of these people from their once happy, beautiful and fertile homes in Germany. This one work of his life will immortalize him in the memories of the sons and daughters of all Pennsylvania Germans who are true to civil and religious liberty.

But to return now from this digression to the notes. All the first settlers who bought land from Col. Samuel Miles were obliged to plant apple orchards and sow English orchard grass (called Schmeime). These settlers carried the young trees up here from Snyder county and planted them. They were not budded or grafted, but some of the fourth generation still remember the nice red, sweet, Buchtel apple, Bear's blower, Ruhl's golden pippin, Bierly's big dark red King, the early yellow harvest or Corman's apple, etc.

Hubler's gap is not as familiar to the present "wisest and weakest" generation as it was to the people of twenty years ago. Then the grist mill, now owned by Mr. John Noll, was not the only place the young lad knew, because he carried a bag of wheat, rye or corn on horseback to it to be ground into flour or meal. Up there in the gap there was another mill, with a great water wheel which was used for various purposes, but the particular purpose which sticks to the memory most was the "skutching" of flax. In those days nearly every farmer raised flax and hemp. The process through which the flax had to go before it made pants for the men and skirts for the women, or towels and table linen was not a swift nor easy one. When the flax ripened in the field, it was pulled up by the root and bound in small sheaves and stood up in "shocks" to dry. Next it was taken to the threshing floor and the seed was pounded out, handful by handful and winnowed. The flax was then spread out on the lawn in layers so that the rain and the sun made the stalk brittle. When this result was assured it was gathered up and taken to a fire place, away from the buildings, because frequently the fire would get into the flax and cause a sudden flame. The flax was then spread out on a rack high above the fire to be dried and made ready for the flax brake. How many remember a flax-brake? We will not attempt to describe it. You took the flax roughly dried flax from its "roast," and with one hand you held the flax over the lower jaw of the brake and with the other hand you operated the upper jaw across the flax and continued this work until the stamina was pretty well knocked out of it. There remained the linen texture, which was now ready for the "skutch" mill, where a wheel with arms of oak or hickory, driven by water power, "skutched" the rough pieces of flax all out of the tow. This was a tedious job. There remained still another piece of hand labor to prepare the material for spinning. It had to be heckled, by drawing it over an instrument with sharp long spikes until the flax was reduced to films like fine hair. Then the expurgated tow was put in the distaff above the spinning

wheel and the good old mother, or "Aunt Polly," started the wheel and kept it in motion with her foot on the treadle, while her hands were busy drawing the flaxen film out of the distaff and through the filer upon a spool, as thread. After the spinning came the weaving, also by hand and foot, on the loom which, day and night hummed the monody: "Gott erahre mich—knobs, knobs!" The cloth being woven it was made into clothes. Many a man of years may recollect that when he was "N klanner bu" he wore a tow frock made by his industrious mother's hand to whom the adage applied: "If you make a man it is good enough now, and if you don't make one, it is too good for you." But enough of this diversion.

The old grist mill was owned by George Hubler and "Yonie" a bachelor brother of John, was always there "with one hand in the hopper." It is related that the elder Hubler was a great teaser. Perhaps it was seventy-five years ago, when the widow Elizabeth Guise lived here and raised her family. She was a woman of great physical strength and fortitude. One day Hubler rallied her about it and told her he would give her a silk dress if she would stand in a half bushel measure and "shoulder three bushels of wheat in a bag." She accomplished the feat and refused the silk dress, but accepted a plain "finsey woolsey." Once she had laid out linen shirts to bleach on the grass and a big lazy man came to take them. But he rued it. She gave him a good mauling and threw him over the fence and he was "out!" This article has reached or perhaps exceeded the length intended, on account of lapsing into the reminiscent.

Erratum.—In the former article there was an error of name. The John Rull farm was bought by Daniel Brungart (not Jacob) and now belongs to the widow and son Jasper. Mrs. Brungart is now 87 years old and more active and sprightly, mentally and physically than many a person much younger in years. Her heart is still young.

EVANGELICAL APPOINTMENTS.

The 15th annual session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference of the United Evangelical church, held at Lock Haven, came to a close on Tuesday evening. Space will not permit an attempt to give the proceedings for all the districts. We simply give those for Centre District which embraces the different churches in this county:

- H. A. Benfer, Presiding Elder.
- Altoona—W. J. Campbell.
- Bellefonte—J. R. Schriber.
- Bellefonte—A. F. Weaver.
- Bellefonte Circuit—J. H. Fleckenstein.
- Centre Hall—S. A. Snyder.
- Centre—G. W. Fry.
- Howard—M. J. Snyder.
- Junata—W. E. Peffley.
- Lewistown, First Church—J. C. Reiser.
- Lewistown, Trinity Mission—Geo. Joseph.
- Lewistown, Burnham Mission—L. C. Cooper.
- Liverpool—J. H. Kohler.
- Millheim—W. J. Dice.
- Mexico—J. M. Price.
- Milton—N. J. Dubs.
- Middleburg—A. C. Price.
- McClure—C. S. Messner.
- Millin—H. W. Buck, Jr.
- Newport—E. Fulcomer.
- Nittany—R. S. Daubert.
- Port Trevorton—D. A. Ertel.
- Rebersburg—J. E. Bingham.
- Spring Mills—John M. Price.
- Winfield—G. S. Albright.

Members of Quarterly Conference—Blahup U. F. Swengel, D. D., Lewistown, First church; S. W. Seibert, Newport; E. L. Kessler, Millheim; J. D. Lester, Mexico; R. A. Miller, Clearfork; J. B. McLaughlin, Pennsdale, Pa.; M. C. Jacobs, Ursinus College, Pa.; C. B. Snyder, East Point, Pa.; Deacon's Orders—Revs. A. M. Jenkins, I. C. Bailey, York, Pa.; I. C. Shearer, Bellefonte, Pa., and W. L. Kahlke, East Point, Pa.

The conference decided to hold their next meeting at Lewistown in 1913.

Rev. J. F. Hower, who for the past few years was stationed in Bellefonte, has been transferred to Scranton, in the Lewistown district. The Reverend in his quiet and unassuming manner has won the highest esteem of the people of Bellefonte, and at the head of the United Evangelical church in this place he has demonstrated the power for good which has been given him.

Organized Local Telephone Co.

At a meeting held in Spring Mills, on Tuesday evening a local Telephone Co. was organized, which will be known as the Spring Mills Rural Telephone Co., which company has leased lines on a ten year option, and will connect with the United Telephone Co., and will give telephone service to stores and residence alike for \$12 per year.

The new company has already 15 subscribers, and from present indications till April 1st, will install about 29 phones in Spring Mills.

The officers of the company are President W. O. Gramly, Secretary Chas. A. Crane, treasurer and solicitor John Smith.

County Financial Statement.

The printing of the County Auditors' statement, for the year 1911, was completed on Monday, and sent out to papers in different towns of the county for circulation, and by this time every taxpayer has had an opportunity to scan the same. The report is intelligible, carefully prepared by Auditors who audit, devoid of a jumble and purpose to hide or confuse. The officials deserve credit for the dispatch with which they performed their duty.

Renovo to Get Free Delivery.

Renovo will get free mail delivery about July, 1912. The revenue at the postoffice has been steadily increasing the past two years, and now the amount of business amounts to sufficient to have the free mail delivery system put in operation.

CANDIDATE DREESE STATES HIS POSITION.

Tells The Voters of Centre County What He Will Do If Elected.

In order that they may be enabled to vote intelligently at the April primaries, "The Centre Democrat" is assured that the Democratic voters of Centre County desire to know in advance, of all candidates for Delegates to the State and National Conventions how they would vote on issues in which the people are vitally interested. If chosen to represent them. Repeatedly we have been solicited by Democratic voters to explain through the columns of "The Centre Democrat" where the various candidates stood on the state issues. As it is the purpose and duty of a newspaper to furnish its readers with exactly this kind of information prior to an election, we cheerfully will comply with this general demand. In order that we may not err or do anyone an injustice we will ask the candidates to state their positions. For that reason, we propose to give, at this time, to every candidate, through the columns of this paper, the opportunity to state to the voters of Centre County (over their own signatures and free of charge for the use of the paper) just where they stand on these issues—that is if elected, whom they would vote for and what they would do respecting the reorganization of the Democratic party in Pennsylvania.

Anyone who refuses to definitely define his position to the people, or evades and attempts to deceive them, is unworthy of the confidence or support of any true Democrat who prides his citizenship or places any value on his right of suffrage. The voter is justified in demanding a positive pledge from every candidate seeking his support. The candidate who ignores the voter in this respect, ignores the fundamental principle of Democracy—that the people are competent to rule, and should rule. That is the essence of Democracy.

(The following important communication was mailed on Monday to Messrs. I. J. Dreese, Lemont, and A. Weber, Howard, Pa.—Ed.)

THE CENTRE DEMOCRAT.

Bellefonte, Pa.

Monday, March 11, 1912.

To I. J. Dreese, Lemont, and A. Weber, Howard, Pa., candidates for election at the primaries April 13, 1912, as Delegate to the Democratic State Convention:

Gentlemen:—Believing that you would be pleased to be governed in the event of your election, by the wish of the majority of the Democrats of the county, in order to ascertain what is the wish of the Democrats of the county the following questions are propounded that the Democratic voters of the county in turn may know where you stand:

Question:—Will you, if elected Delegate to the coming Democratic State Convention, support and vote for the Reorganized Democracy with the Hon. George W. Guthrie at the head as chairman? Or, will you vote with the old organization headed by Walter E. Ritter as chairman?

Question:—Will you, if elected support and vote for four Delegates at Large to the National Democratic Convention who will support the Hon. A. Mitchell Palmer for member of the National Committee for Pennsylvania? Or will you support and vote for four Delegates-at-Large who will support Col. James M. Guffy or anyone suggested by Guffy and his followers, for National Committeeman?

This information is requested of you for the purpose of informing the Democrats of Centre County that they may know how to cast their ballots intelligently at the April primary election. Of course, you do not want any Democrat to vote for or against you under a misapprehension, and hence the necessity of making your answer to the above questions clear and definite.

Your reply to the above questions should reach us at once, or before Wednesday, March 13th, 1912, that it may be inserted in next week's issue of this paper. There will be no charge for publishing the same.

Respectfully yours,
Chas. R. Kurtz, Pub.

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Lewistown, Pa., March 11, 1912

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Pub. Centre Democrat, Bellefonte, Pa.

Dear Sir:—Your letter of even date to hand, and in reply I beg to state:—First—That if elected a Delegate to the State Convention by the Democrats of Centre County I shall give my support and vote for the Reorganized Democracy under the leadership of Hon. Geo. W. Guthrie. Second—I shall support and vote for four (4) Delegates to the Democratic National Convention who will support and vote for the Hon. A. Mitchell Palmer for member of the National Committee for Pennsylvania.

These questions in substance have been propounded to me by a large number of Democrats throughout our county since I have announced as a candidate, and I believe it is only just to the Democracy to have them know exactly what I will do if elected, so every Democrat will be able to cast his ballot intelligently. If I am elected I shall not betray the trust; and if defeated, I will gladly submit to the will of the majority, which is the fundamental principle of Democracy, viz: "That the people shall rule."

I am very truly,
I. J. DREESE.

Several communications reached us too late for publication this week. We will take them up in next issue.

DID NOT SURVIVE OPERATION.

Death of Mrs. J. A. Gramly, Mother of Mrs. A. A. Oberheim, in the United States Court at Scranton, J. W. Beck, the former State College postoffice employe, plead guilty to the charge of removing uncanceled stamps from letters, and was sentenced to pay a fine of \$100 and the costs of prosecution.

Harry Keller, Esq., of Bellefonte, was Mr. Beck's counsel, and it is said the attorney's plea for clemency had much to do with saving his client from a jail sentence.

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Serenaders Surprised.

The sudden discharge of a gun in the hands of a callithumpian one night recently spread a load of fine shot and subsequent consternation among the serenaders who had gathered at the Daniel Bohn home near Tusseyville to welcome Mr. and Mrs. Sparre Wert, who had been married a short time before. No one seems able to figure out how the gun became discharged, but nevertheless six of the crowd of young men became re-armed. The Bohn home was at once turned into a temporary hospital and a physician sent for. Carl Bohn was found to be the most painfully injured, several of the shot imbedding themselves in his knee. The fact that the shot first struck the concrete walk before the boys were hit, prevented serious injuries being inflicted.

Gift For State College.

At a recent meeting of the board of directors of the Pennsylvania Railroad company the Pennsylvania State College was presented with locomotive No. 61001 and dynamometer car No. 49552, which the company had previously loaned to the college for use in connection with its course in railway mechanical engineering. The gift represents a value of about \$30,000.

Would Have 40 Trout Limit.

Nathan Haugh, of Wolf's Store, writes The Centre Democrat:—I note the articles relative to a change in the fish laws. Please see that the commission will insert 40 trout a week as the limit instead of a day. It would do away with bummers camping along a stream for weeks at a time, and swipe the stream; not giving others a chance to get a mess of fish.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wolfe, of Avis, are mourning the death of a little twin daughter who died one day last week of acute indigestion. She was aged 2 years and 3 months. Interment was made at State College on Saturday.

PENITENTIARY NEWS.

Last week the penitentiary commission was here and they notified all property owners and acceptance of the options on the lands. In some cases errors and discrepancies were found in titles and these must be rectified before the commission can pay the purchase price. In no instance was anything serious found to interfere with securing good and sufficient title to all the lands in the tract, and in a short time it is thought all these matters will be adjusted to comply with all legal requirements.

The commission went from here to Harrisburg where they had an extended interview with Governor Tener relative to the institution.

Abstracts to the thirty-four separate titles embraced in the great tract of nearly 4,500 acres were completed several weeks ago and the state engineers a few days since completed their task of surveying the tract. The drafts of the separate properties included in the deal have been finished. Warden John Francis will be appointed superintendent of construction for the new penitentiary and he expects to locate in Bellefonte in the spring.

The commission has started the task of having the deeds properly recorded. This will occupy their attention for several days. It is anticipated that the deal for the purchase of the entire tract will have been completed during the present month, as the articles of agreement for the sale of land will render the transfer available at once, the last legislature having appropriated a sum more than equal to the purchase price, which is approximately \$200,000.

Construction work will be started this spring. Preparations are now being made, and the actual building work will probably be started as soon as the weather will permit.

Though the plans for the new penitentiary have not been completed, they will be more elaborate. The immensity of the new institution can be judged from the fact that 106 acres of land will be within the enclosed wall, which will be thirty feet high and twelve feet underground. This wall will be seventy feet thick at the bottom and seven at the top, with watch-towers every 100 feet.

Before any of the present inmates of the Western Penitentiary are brought to Centre county for the work buildings to accommodate them will have to be provided. The first house to be built will probably be a commodious structure, which will eventually be used as a cattle barn, but which can be used as temporary quarters for the convict mechanics and laborers. Virtually all of the work on the new penitentiary will be done by men who are serving sentences.

"Madame Sherry" Coming.

Bellefonte theatre-goers will be given a treat in a short time when the musical comedy "Madame Sherry" in three acts and twenty-three big musical numbers will be brought to the Garman opera house. This will undoubtedly be the greatest attraction of the season. A company of this character rarely ever visits a town of this size, therefore it will be an evening of rare enjoyment. Seats can and should be secured a week ahead. As the new steam heating system in the opera house is now a proven fact, you are assured of absolute comfort in attending the advent of "Madame Sherry."

Hospital Notes.

Operations: Mrs. Eva Price, Mrs. Belle Gordon, Bellefonte.

Admitted for treatment: Mrs. Mary Brewer, Fred Sedde, student at the Academy, Bellefonte. Mrs. Laura Kuhn, State College.

Discharged Dorothy Corl, Bellefonte; Fred Green, Clintondale; Reuben Hippel, Fleming; Miss Lillie Coble, Highspire, Pa.

Miss Timeda Eckert, Tyrone, entered training school for nurses.

Twenty-five patients now in the hospital.

Marriage Licenses.

Wm. H. Beck - - - State College
Blanche Gummo - - - Stormstown
George Laird - - - Port Matilda
Rachel B. Eves - - - Warriors Mark
John C. Homan - - - State College
Mabel R. Shuey - - - Bellefonte
Chas. Eminhizer - - - Milesburg
Bertha Freeze - - - Milesburg
Chas. J. Peters - - - Phillipsburg
Lena O. Habbershon - - - Osceola Mills

Easter Monday Ball at Clarence.

St. Michael's choir of Clarence are making preparations for holding a ball on Easter Monday, April 8th. It will be held in the Society hall at that place, and the proceeds will be applied to the purchase of a new organ. Admission tickets are being sold at 50 cents each, which admit a lady and gentleman. Ladies' tickets, 25 cents.

Orndorf—Immel.

Wm. G. Orndorf and Miss Carrie R. Immel, both of Woodward, were united in the bonds of matrimony at the United Evangelical parsonage in Millheim, March 3, by W. J. Dice.

We note with pleasure that James A. Gleason, of DuBois, Pa., will be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for congress from this district. Mr. Gleason is a popular young attorney of Clearfield county and an orator of ability, who has campaigned much in this district. He has a strong following in Clearfield county and as a candidate would poll more than his party vote.

New Bank Started.

The Mill Hall State bank opened its doors to the public for business this week. Clarence Dunn, of Lock Haven, is cashier and William Knecht, of Parvins, has been elected teller. The capital stock is \$25,000 all of which has been subscribed for.

Mr. H. Bradley, of Milesburg, writes us from Munson Station that he is employed at the coal mines at that place, but as soon as work opens up around Bellefonte he expects to return.

Only a month—middle of April—and our mountain streams may be alive with trout fishermen. And the streams are likely to be as quiet as a funeral for want of speckled beauties.

OSMAN WINS IN DAMAGE SUIT

FAMOUS ZION LAKE CASE DISPOSED OF.

WAS AWARDED \$1000 BY JURY

Spring Township Must Pay for Loss of Horse and Injuries Sustained by Plaintiff—Other Cases Disposed of.

The following is a summary of the court proceedings during the past week:

The case of Osman vs Spring township was taken up and went to trial on Tuesday afternoon. This was an action brought to recover damages against the township, and under the testimony of the plaintiff he hired a horse and buggy in Bellefonte on the 2nd day of March, 1910, to drive to Mr. Rocky's near Zion, leaving Bellefonte in the evening and going out Bishop street, taking Nigh Bank road to the road leading from Pleasant Gap to Zion, and that he had driven through no water in the road leading from Pleasant Gap to Zion, nor had he noticed any obstruction in the road last mentioned; that after turning to the east on the last mentioned road he found himself suddenly in a body of water, so much so that he had to sit on the back of the seat in the buggy, and that his horse plunged and was drowned. He had gotten wet and was subsequently rescued by some of the neighbors and taken to the house of Benjamin Kauffman, and that his socks were frozen to his shoes; he was furnished dry clothes and subsequently left and went to the Rocky residence. He suffered rheumatism since then and his hearing was affected. He had no notice of this pool of water or lake, as it is sometimes called, being out, and had not seen it until he suddenly found himself in it; that the lake had been out for some days previous, and the supervisors of the township had both constructive and direct notice, inasmuch as he produced one witness to testify that one of the supervisors had been told a few days previous by a neighbor, which last testimony was denied by the supervisor in question as well as the alleged information. And further that one of the other supervisors who was ill in the hospital at Bellefonte had seen a neighbor that the lake was out. This was refuted by testimony on the part of the defendant, that this particular supervisor was too ill to have such a conversation as alleged, and that he was in the hospital previous to the appearance of the lake. The defendant's testimony was to the effect that people had driven over this road on Monday previous to the accident and that the lake or water did not appear prior to Tuesday morning, and neither of the supervisors had any notice of this lake being out; further that the plaintiff must have driven through water axle deep on the Nigh Bank road, and that neighbors had placed an obstruction by placing fence rails across the Gap road sufficient to call attention to any one that there was danger ahead; and, in addition, that before getting into the water to any great depth, he had called and some neighbors appeared and directed him to turn around and go back or he would get in deeper, which the plaintiff denied. After the plaintiff had been rescued he had been taken to Mr. Kauffman's house and that his clothing was not frozen nor were his socks frozen to his shoes, and that he was well cared for; that without given any notice after the people had left, to either Mr. or Mrs. Kauffman, he disappeared from their home with an old pair of shoes, but returned the next morning, returning with Osman's clothing and getting his own. Verdict on Thursday afternoon in favor of the plaintiff for \$1000.

J. C. Stoddart, Douglass Stuart, Receivers of the Washington National Building & Loan Association of Washington, D. C., vs. Susan E. Snyder who survives, H. Snyder, co-mortgager. An action brought by the Receiver of the mortgage to recover the amount of the mortgage with unpaid interest given to the Building & Loan Association, which failed and went into the hands of the above named receivers who were duly appointed by the corporation court of Alexandria, Va., as receivers of said Building & Loan Association, as well as being appointed ancillary receivers by the court of Common Pleas of Fayette county, Pa. The case being largely a question of law was submitted to the jury with the questions of law raised reserved by the court. Verdict in favor of the plaintiff for \$679.91.

Same vs. M. H. Davidson and wife; verdict in favor of the plaintiff for \$2000.00.

Same vs. A. C. Bowes and wife, Verdict in favor of the plaintiff for \$270.26.

Same vs. Mary Jane Egan, widow Harvey Egan and James Egan, being all in the heirs and legal representatives James Egan, deceased, mortgager, and Mary Jane Egan mortgagee, two cases. Verdict in the first case in favor of the plaintiff for \$120.13, and in the second case in favor of the plaintiff for \$356.75; all verdicts subject to the questions of law reserved by the court.

During the week the following foreign counsel were present, namely, Singleton Bell of the Clearfield County bar, in the case of Mendeman vs. Mirbach; the Hon. H. M. Buckley, ex-Judge, and the Hon. R. Scott Ammerman, both of the Montour County bar, in the case of Penn Chemical Company vs. Ammerman, and the Hon. J. K. M. Norton, ex-Judge of Alexandria, Va., in the Building & Loan cases.

In the case of the Penn Chemical Company vs. Mary C. Ammerman the jury was challenged and sworn on Tuesday afternoon and set aside to appear again in court on Tuesday March 11th, at which time the case was to be tried.

Court adjourned on Friday evening till Tuesday morning at ten o'clock.

Boyd Hartsock is spending some time at the home of his cousins, Dr. and Mrs. R. H. Meek, at Avis.