

## Dentist Ruffner Instantly Killed in Auto Accident

### Was Crushed to Death When His Machine Went over a Steep Embankment

### MRS. SMITH SERIOUSLY INJURED

Dr. Harry A. Ruffner, a dentist of this place was instantly killed early Tuesday morning, and Mrs. Ella Smith, wife of a local contractor was seriously injured when an auto, driven by Dr. Ruffner went over a steep embankment near Blacklick. According to some reports it is said that shortly after 3 o'clock Tuesday morning an auto party was passing a point about three-fourths of a mile north of Blacklick heard the cries for help. They stopped the auto and investigated. At the bottom of a steep embankment, about 15 feet below the road level, they found the overturned car. Dr. Ruffner was lying nearby and a hurried examination showed

that he was dead. The body was taken to Blairsville, while Mrs. Smith was taken to Blacklick where it was found that she was suffering from a broken shoulder and severe lacerations.

It is said that the couple had motored to Blairsville and were returning to Indiana when the accident occurred.

Dr. Ruffner was about 50 years of age and is survived by his wife and two daughters. He enjoyed a large practice and was generally esteemed.

Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon, and the remains taken to the East Mahoning Baptist Church where interment was made in the church cemetery.

## AUSTRALIANS MAKE FIRST ATTACK IN GREAT ONSLAUGHT ON GERMAN LINES



Photos by American Press Association.

### AUSTRALIANS AND GENERAL BIRDWOOD.

"Today the Australians had their first big test in France," says a recent dispatch from the British-German front. "The free limbed sons of the Southern Cross charged from their trenches in the darkness against the new German trenches around Pozieres. People had said that either the Australians would get there or be killed, and the surprising thing, the wounded say, is how few were killed. 'Birdie' had his plans made, all right," say the Australians. "He always knows what he is doing." 'Birdie' is the nickname of General Birdwood, their commander.

## Italians Occupy Goritz and Capture 20,000 Prisoners

### Pressing Fleeing Austrians Toward Trieste; Victors Take Aviation Base from Foe.

### Cavalry and Bersaglieri Cyclists Pursuing Fleeing Austrians; Take City Near Captured Goritz; Italians Take Much Booty.

LONDON, Aug. 9.—The capture of the Gorizia Bridge head on the Isonzo River front by the Italians was followed today by the taking of the Gorizia fortress and the town of the same name from the Austrians. In the operation the Italians captured 20,000 prisoners and much booty.

The victory of the Italians, in its spectacular appeal, overshadows, for the moment, the steady forward drive of the French and British on the Somme and the closing vise of the Russians upon Lemberg, capital of Galicia, but it is also, of course, of great actual importance.

Gorizia is only 22 miles northwest of the Austrian port of Trieste, on the Adriatic. There are few defenses between Gorizia and this great Adriatic base. And southeast off Trieste is the naval base of Pola.

Success by the Italians in driving the Austrians from the

head of the Adriatic would be a blow at the very vitals of the Teutonic operations in the Mediterranean Sea and would permit transportation through that waterway of all of the Allies without molestation of any sort.

ROME, Aug. 10.—The Austrians aviation station of Aisovizza, six miles east of Goritz, has been captured by Italian troops who are continuing pursuit of the Austrian force that retreated from Goritz, according to reports received here today.

Cavalry detachments and Bersaglieri cyclist detachments entered Aisovizza after putting to flight the Austrian rear guard which attempted to make a stand in the eastern suburbs of Goritz. In this action a body of Austrian troops is reported to have been cut off from the main force.

King Victor Emmanuel is said to have been at the Isonzo front when Goritz fell, though he has not entered the Austrian stronghold.

### BLAIRSVILLE MAN LOSES A FOOT UNDER A TRAIN

BLAIRSVILLE, Aug. 10.—Dragged by a freight train that he attempted to board, Charles Liverly, aged 50 years, of Blairsville, had one of his feet so badly crushed that amputation was necessary at Indiana Hospital.

### SEVERE STORM ON LAST SATURDAY

The electric storm that passed over this section on last Saturday was one of the worst of the year. The lightning did a bit of damage here and there and the heavy rainfall flooded the streets for a time.

## Homer City Supt. Dies in Clearfield

N. M. Loman, mine superintendent of the Bruch Creek Coal Mining Co., of Homer, died Wednesday afternoon as the result of an operation in the Clearfield Hospital.

Mr. Loman was employed for a number of years by the Pennsylvania Coal and Coke Co., later he came in this county and filled a position as Mine Inspector for a period of three years and later promoted superintendent of the Bruch Creek C. and I. Co. He leaves his wife and three children. Funeral services will be held today in Patton; many foreigners will attend this funeral.

## L. A. Cost's Excellent Work Is Displayed in the Carnegie Library

Whenever you go to Buchheit Bros., the Philadelphia street furniture dealers, and are waited on by a short, statured man, with spectacles, that is Mr. L. A. Cost; do not think that his capacity is only that of a clerk, because if you do, you are mistaken.

Mr. Cost does not brag about his work with anybody, but on the contrary he is very quiet about it and unless you really want to know something about it, you are standing a fine chance to be talked to on the subject.

As to his work we are told that two of Mr. Cost's oil paintings are on exhibition in the Carnegie Art Gallery, Pittsburgh, one of which is Pharo's Horses and the other Black and White Beauty.

In Mr. Cost's home are many examples of his work worthy of comment.

Some of the finest homes of this place have paintings by Mr. Cost. Some of his water color and crayon work ranks among the best in the state. He has sold some of his pictures throughout the state and especially in Pittsburgh, Harrisburg and Washington, D. C., and the owners are proud of their possessions.

### WILL PUBLISH LUSITANIA NOTE TO SILENT CRITICS

WASHINGTON, Aug. 10.—Announcement that the last German note on the Lusitania, submitted to the state department nearly six months ago, is to be published, is the direct answer to those who feared a re-

### Continued on page 4 DIES SUDDENLY IN KITCHEN

While she was preparing breakfast Friday, Mrs. Lydia S. Bence, aged 65 years, widow of Squire John D. Bence, fell to the floor and before assistance could be given her death occurred.

She leaves two children, William Bence of Indiana and S. B. Bence of Rayne township. She also leaves one brother and one sister, H. A. Shields of South Second street and Mrs. R. S. McCoy of East Church Street.

### LOCAL COUPLE MARRIED IN CUMBERLAND

Paul C. Woolwaver, a printer from this place, and Miss Olive Marie Johnson also of this place, were married in Cumberland last Friday, (August 4.)

### BELIEVED THAT 150 LOST LIVES; BODIES FOUND

HUNTINGTON, W. Va., Aug. 10.—Late reports from the West Virginia flood district say that 23 bodies have been taken from the water at Cabin Creek and several other bodies have been recovered from the flood about Cabin Creek. It is estimated that 125 persons are dead as a result of the cloudburst.

Two companies of the Second brigade, West Virginia National Guard, have gone to the flooded district for relief work at the order of Gov. Hatfield.

CHARLESTOWN, W. Va., Aug. 10.—Wreck, ruin and loss of life trailed in the wake of the receding floods of three West Virginia mountain streams today. Out of the swirling waters of Cabin, Paint and Armstrong creeks a toil of death is emerging, while, wandering over the mountain sides, sheltering themselves behind rocks and under trees, thousands of homeless persons are suffering privation and hunger.

### MUST TRIUMPH, DECLARED CADORNA'S BATTLE ORDER

ROME, Aug. 10.—The Italian march must be a triumphant one, General Cadorna declared in an order to the troops at the commencement of the Goritz battle. The order said:

"You must march like an impetuous, overwhelming force. Nothing ought to stop you. You must pass the first, second and third lines of the enemy. You must traverse the whole field of battle; you must reach upon the massed hostile reserves and there shout 'Avanti Italia.' There, even in the last struggle, decisive victory will smile upon you for joyfully having accomplished your duty to your king and to your country."

### LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining uncalled for in the Indiana office August 5, 1916: Mrs. Katherine Clark, Mr. H. M. Clark, Miss Mabel P. Davis, Andres Dimino, (3 letters); Mrs. B. C. Griffith, H. R. Gibson, Miss Belie Grim, Mr. John Mark, Mrs. John Spackman, Mrs. Florence Shields, Mrs. Ernest Sutton.

When inquiring for letters in this list please state that they were advertised, giving date.

Harry W. Fee, P. M.

### MARION CENTER FARMER ELECTROCUTED

John Thompson Park, aged 71 years, one of the most prominent residents and a member of the family that laid out the town of Marion Center, was electrocuted early Monday evening, when his hand came in contact with an electric switch. Death was instantaneous.

Some time ago Mr. Park had his house and barn wired for electricity and had one of the switches placed just inside the barn door. Monday evening just after he had completed some evening work, he reached up his hand to turn off the switch; when a knife which he was carrying, formed a short-circuit and the electricity flowed thru his body, causing death. He was found a few minutes later by members of his family, who discovered that he had not returned to the house, went in search of him.

### FARMER INSTITUTE DATES FOR INDIANA COUNTY

S. C. George, Indiana county chairman of farmer's institutes, has been notified by the State Department of Agriculture of the state speakers who will be present at the five institute sessions to be held in Indiana county in January, 1917. They are J. T. Campbell, Prof. Franklin Menges and Dr. John N. Rosenberger. The places and dates of the institutes follow:

Brushvalley, Monday and Tuesday, January 8 and 9.

Indiana, Wednesday and Thursday, January 10 and 11.

East Mahoning Baptist Church, Friday and Saturday, Jan. 12-13.

Willet, Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 15 and 16.

Covode, Wednesday and Thursday, Jan. 17 and 18.

### MISS VOGEL COURT STENOGRAPHER IS DEAD.

Miss Annie E. Vogel, for many years official court stenographer for Indiana County and Notary Public, died here Wednesday morning after a lingering illness. Funeral mass will be held today with mass at the St. Bernard's Catholic Church. She leaves her mother and her sister Blanche.