

OLD RESIDENTS PASS AWAY

Michael Mong, an old and well known citizen, passed away shortly after noon Sunday at the home of his son, John Mong, Upper Mulberry street. The deceased was seventy-nine years of age and death was due to the usual infirmities of advanced life.

The deceased was a native of Germany but came to Danville in 1856 and since then has resided here and in Frosty valley. He was an old time miner and for many years worked in the ore mines for Waterman & Beaver and Grove Brothers. He was a widower, his wife dying four years ago. In addition to John Mong, with whom the deceased resided, there survives another son, William Mong, now a soldier in the Philippines, and four daughters, as follows: Kate (Mrs. John Kashner); Lizzie (Mrs. John Everett); Martha (Mrs. William Richard) and Minnie (Mrs. William Barnhart).

At about the same time Sunday afternoon Mrs. Martha Shee, wife of John Shee, departed this life at the home of her sister, Mrs. Owen Horan, Chambers street. The deceased was fifty-eight years of age and was in poor health for several years. In addition to her husband and sister, Mrs. Horan, she is survived by one brother, John Farrell of Shamokin.

AN OLD PHOTOGRAPH

An excellent photograph of the Rough and Ready Iron Works, taken forty years ago may be seen at M. H. Schram's store, Mill street. The photograph—a large and neatly framed one of about 16x16 inches—is a treasured heirloom in possession of T. J. Price. It is full of interest, as it presents a picture never seen by the younger generation, although it is one that will very easily be recalled by older people.

In the foreground is the D. L. & W. track on which is standing a train of old-fashioned coal cars. Along with the Rough and Ready works in the picture are the Grove furnaces, a very imposing group of buildings. The foundry and machine shop, later the property of Curry & Company, were at that time a part of the Rough and Ready plant. The rolling mill proper was nothing to compare to the Structural Tubing works of the present day, while other buildings appear in the picture that are not visible today. The entire aspect of the spot is changed.

The general excellence of the photograph, which has stood the test of time in convincing proof that photography, at least, as exemplified in large views, has made little or no progress in forty years.

Underneath the photograph is printed: "Rough and Ready Iron Works, Hancock and Foley, manufacturers of railroad iron, rolls and rolling mill machinery, steam engines and iron and brass castings."

Returns to Old Home.

The magnetic influence of the environs of the home at Snydertown has worked so strongly on Thomas R. Jones, a successful Washington business man and banker, that he has returned to the scenes of his childhood and reclaimed the old homestead and will, remodel it to spend the remainder of his life in retirement.

He has given orders to Architect W. U. Jury of Shamokin to prepare plans for placing the old structure in a modern condition and to call for improvements to be made it will be one of the finest country homes in this vicinity.

Mr. Jones is a descendant of the Rockefeller family of Northumberland county and he was born and raised at Snydertown. When quite a young man he left that place and roamed through the west. In recent years he has lived in Washington, where by a series of good investments he has amassed a large fortune, and today he is president of one of the largest banks in the capital city.

Last summer, while making an extensive tour he visited his old home for the first time in many years, and when standing under the shade of the old oaks, under which he played as a boy, his desire to return became so strong that he at once opened negotiations for the old homestead and purchased it. The school house, where he attended as a boy and later taught has been moved on the ground and will be used as a carriage shed.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones arrived at Snydertown several days ago, having driven from Washington.

Wants to be Governor.

Columbia county not only has a candidate for auditor general in William T. Creasy, named on several tickets, but in James D. Harris, of West Berwick, a veteran and a working man, there blossoms forth as an independent candidate for no less an office than governor of the Commonwealth. Mr. Harris does not believe in doing anything by halves. He has already been an independent candidate for congress and while the number of votes that he pulled made no appreciable inroads on the other candidates yet he comes back merrily into the fight—this time higher aspirations.

Mr. Harris on Wednesday gave evidence of the earnestness of his gubernatorial aspirations by opening an office on the third floor of the Dickson building, Berwick. The rooms he will occupy, by a strange coincidence, are those of the William R. Hearst club.

He will cause a large American flag to be strung across the street at that point and from now on will boom his candidacy so that others may know that there is another candidate in the field besides Stuart and Emery.

Mr. Harris' platform is: "Tax reform, the Roosevelt policy and the strict enforcement of the constitution." Mr. Harris is emphatic in his declaration that he will work in the interest of the people and he believes they will support him for governor.

Sunbury Disbands Again.

The Sunbury base ball team has been disbanded again by Managers Stahl and Clement. This is the second time this season that the Sunbury team has been disbanded. Poor support resulting in no funds is given as the reason.

TRI-COUNTY FARMERS' PICNIC

The tri-county farmers' picnic will be held at DeWitt's park on Thursday, August 16.

Pursuant to call a committee of the tri-county picnic association held a meeting at the court house Saturday. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, George Leighow; secretary, E. L. Diehl; treasurer, Jacob Stultz. It was decided to hold the tri-county farmers' picnic at DeWitt's park on the above named date. A committee on grounds and a committee on speakers and music were appointed. Every effort will be made to bring out a large attendance and to make the picnic a greater success than was ever achieved in the past.

Able speakers and the best of music will be secured. The outing will take the form of a basket picnic. There will be dancing and other forms of amusement. A base ball game under the auspices of the committee will be a feature of the afternoon.

The territory embraced by the tri-county picnic comprises, besides Montour county, large portions of Columbia and Northumberland counties. In fact there are no well defined limits established and a general invitation to farmers and their friends is extended by the committee. It is likely that many will be present from every portion of both counties and from the unbordered country besides Montour. An admission fee of five cents will be charged for every adult.

A DEAL IN MONEY.

The Butler Times says the foreigners in that county are in the habit of using all sorts of queer receptacles for their savings. It tells of one woman at Lyndora who discovered that the rats had badly mutilated money to the amount of \$40. The woman gathered up the fragments and took them to a merchant to whom she offered them for \$8. He looked them over and accepted the offer. Presently the merchant's partner came along and offered \$30 for the collection. It was accepted, whereupon the new owner went to work sorting and making a neat good effect that later on the government sent him the full value of the bills. When the woman heard the story she brought suit to recover the money but the evidence showed that she had been a willing seller.

In Role of Steeple Climber.

D. C. Williams, the well-known slater, Monday assumed the role of steeple climber. He is making repairs on the tower of St. Hubert's Catholic church and in order to reach the bronze ball on the spire it was necessary to perform a feat in climbing that was nothing short of thrilling.

Rising above the first division of the steeple in which the bell is fixed, is another and narrower section, which in turn is surmounted by the spire bearing the bronze ball and the gilded cross, the whole being some eighty feet in height. In making the repairs no scaffolding was used, ladders solely being employed. To reach the two first divisions of the tower was a comparatively easy task, but when it came to making the repairs on the spire and reaching the big ball quite a different problem presented itself. It was this part of the work that Mr. Williams had in hand Monday.

A long ladder was dragged up the steeple and, made secure at the base, was leaned against the spire, enabling the climber to reach every part of the latter along with the ball underneath the cross. A cool head, nerve and much experience were required in performing a job such as this and while scaling the steeple the workman attracted much attention from the street.

Birthday Party.

A number of the friends of George Swayze were entertained Monday evening at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Swayze, Front street, in honor of his eight birthday.

Those present were: Ruth LaRue, Alice Chambers, Beatrice Pursel, Marion Parsel, Margaret Marshall, Mary Orndorf, Margaret Fields, Marjorie Petterson, Lizzie Thomas, Helen Swayze, Mary Walker, Florence Russell, Eva Ashton, Lillian Chambers, Isabel Boyer, Ida Cooke, of Sunbury; William Sainsbury, Harold Walker, LaRue Thomas, Paul Walker, Ralph Mader, Robert Bird, Theodore Walker and Walter Peters.

POSTAGE MUST BE AFFIXED.

An order has been received at the local postoffice prohibiting the use of carriers from carrying an express matter for hire or as a favor any article or a package weighing four pounds or under, which is mailable, and carriers are requested to inform their patrons that such packages can be delivered by them only after the required postage shall have been affixed. It is claimed that the rural carriers at the request of patrons of their routes often call at express offices for packages of mailable matter and deliver the same outside of the mails to the patrons and occasionally receive small fees for the service.

W. V. Coxey Leaves Sunbury.

W. V. Coxey, formerly of this city, and for some years clerk in the globe warehouse, at Sunbury, has gone to Perth Amboy, N. J., where he assumes the management of the department of white and wash goods, in the Boston dry goods store, the largest store of its kind in that city. Mr. Coxey is a young man of ability and skilled in the dry goods business. He will no doubt make a success of his new venture, and win to his side many friends," says the Sunbury Item.

BUSY LAWN MOWERS.

The frequent rains this summer impose a pretty heavy task on those who have lawns to care for and the familiar sound of the lawn mower is ever present. The residents on Market square during several days past have been giving attention to the common in front of their dwellings. A crop of grass has been cut and there are prospects of one or more to follow.

RETURNED FROM LONG TRIP

Jacob Doster Saturday evening returned home from a lengthy trip, which embraced a tour through the southern part of the Union and a visit to San Francisco, Denver and other interesting points.

Mr. Doster left Danville four weeks ago. Proceeding to New Orleans, he made a trip through the southern part of Texas and Lower California. He visited Los Angeles and San Francisco following up the trail of the great earthquake for a considerable distance. At San Francisco, he says, scarcely more than a beginning has been made in clearing away the ruins caused by the great earthquake and fire.

The debris is thrown aside from the middle of the streets and thus the electric cars are enabled to run, but this is the only sign of order and on every side are towering and crumbling walls and heaps of brick and mortar. The picture is desolate and forbidding in the extreme. One or more of the large department stores have erected one story buildings in which they are temporarily doing business on a reduced scale.

Returning home Mr. Doster reached Denver before the Elks had departed. From Denver he proceeded to Memphis and finished his journey by way of Washington. He had a most interesting trip and found in every part he visited the best of crops and evidences of unprecedented prosperity.

Mann-Wendel.

On Thursday evening, Miss Anna M. Wendel was united in marriage to Alexander J. Mann at the Trinity Lutheran parsonage, Rev. L. D. Ulrich officiating.

The wedding was a very quiet one, only a few of the immediate relatives and friends being present. After the ceremony, the bride and groom went to their newly furnished residence on Vine street, where they will reside.

Sustains Bad Accident.

David McCarty, a well-known resident of Anthony township, is confined to his home as the result of a very bad accident sustained a day or so ago.

Mr. McCarty, whose home is near McKee's Heights, was cradling grain, when he discovered a hornet's nest along the fence.

He concluded to dislodge the hornets and laying down the cradle made an assault on the nest. The hornets resenting intrusion came pouring out upon him. He was obliged to beat a hasty retreat and while fighting off the hornets unconsciously stepped backward into the cradle wedging his foot in between the scythe and the first finger. In the struggle with the insects before he could release his foot, the sharp blade had cut a shocking gash just in the rear of the ankle, severing the muscles and causing great loss of blood. Just what the final effects of the injury may be can not be foretold.

Bitten by Snake.

The sixteen-year old daughter of Lewis Johnson, of Little Roaring creek, was bitten Friday morning by a copperhead snake.

The girl was picking berries near her home when she felt a sharp sting on her right ankle. Looking down she was horrified to see the copper colored reptile at her feet.

She ran to the house and told her mother of what had happened. The girl was immediately driven to the office of Dr. Harpel, this city. By the time of her arrival there the ankle had swollen considerably. Antidotes for the poison were administered. The prompt action in hurriedly taking the girl to where medical attention could be received no doubt saved her life.

Boy Sustains Terrible Injuries.

John Polanski, aged 9 years, who resides with his father on a farm near Paxinos, was the victim of a terrible accident which occurred on Sunday evening.

The little fellow was engaged in assisting his father in driving two mules from the barn and when he got too close to one of the mules, which is very stubborn and wild, the mule kicked the boy in the head with terrible force. He was felled to the ground in an unconscious condition and was carried to the home by his father.

Two Serious Accidents.

Thomas Welliver, of East Market and Honeyman streets, is confined to his home suffering with a broken collar bone and other injuries inflicted by a horse a few days ago. Mr. Welliver entered the stable and the horse crowded him over against the side of the stall holding him tight and pinching him very badly. It was later discovered that his collar bone was broken.

On the same day Mrs. Susan Esterbrook, East Market street, a near neighbor, stepped on a lemon peel and had a severe fall which has since kept her confined to her bed. Although no bones were broken, her condition is considered rather serious.

In Honor of Miss Geiger.

Mr. and Mrs. William Laidaker, South Danville, last evening entertained a number of their friends in honor of Miss Mildred Geiger, of Northumberland. The evening was very pleasantly spent with music and games and afterward refreshments were served.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wendel, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Alex Mann, Mrs. W. G. Gulick, son and daughter, George and Gertrude; Miss Florence Nace, of Philadelphia; Misses Rena and Elsie Gulick, Helen Swayze, Mary Gramm, Isabel Wetzel, Ethel Foust and Sadie Laidaker.

Kaseville Defeats Buckhorn.

Kaseville defeated the Buckhorn base ball team Saturday by a score of 18-12. The game was very hotly contested, and was played at Rupert where the Buckhorn Lutheran church picnic was held Saturday. The feature of the game was the timely hitting of Raymond Pursel for Kaseville.

In Summer Quarters.

The families of J. H. Cole, William Kase West and I. D. West are in summer quarters on Mr. Cole's farm near Cameron. The outing will continue during the month of August.

IN THE CUSTODY OF SHERIFF MATERS

Daniel Kennedy, the thirteen-year-old boy who was found guilty of effecting forcible entrance into the first ward school building at the May term of court, and who was placed by Judge Evans under the care of Chief of Police J. C. Minenmoyer as a probation officer, seems to have forgotten the promises he made to be good and is now back in the custody of the sheriff, a self confessed thief.

During the month or so that have elapsed since court no particular complaints were heard concerning the Kennedy boy until Thursday, when he became an object of suspicion by reason of possessing a sum of money larger than would likely fall into his hands honestly.

It was during the afternoon that he appeared at Orth's barber shop, South Danville, and secured change for a one dollar bill. A short time afterwards he returned and wanted change for a five dollar bill. Being asked to explain, the boy—who was accompanied by another lad named Joseph Seaman—stated that they were getting the change for a man who had gone down the railroad but would return. Suspicion by this time was aroused; the change was refused and the officers of Danville were notified of the occurrence.

Some time later it became known that William Beyers, a half brother of Dan Kennedy had missed several dollars. It was learned that before going to Riverside the boy had gotten a two dollar bill changed in this city, which with the five dollar bill presented in South Danville, accounted for the missing seven dollars. The dollar which was changed at the barber shop, of course, was a portion of the change received for the two dollars.

Neither Kennedy nor Seaman could be found Thursday evening and it was supposed that they had gone to Northumberland. Friday forenoon, however, it was learned that the two boys were in Danville. The intention of Kennedy, who was still accompanied by young Seaman, it would seem was to get out of town. The boys were first seen near the D. L. & W. depot, but at the sight of Officer Voris they beat a hasty retreat up the track. Justice of the Peace Oglesby, who was on the spot, started in one direction and the officer took the other to head off the boys, but the latter who were on the P. & R. switch seeing that they were likely to be cornered climbed down the high trestling and ran up the D. L. & W. track. They were first spotted by Chief of Police Minenmoyer, who was coming down the railroad. They next sought the P. & R. station and were coming down the track just as Squire Oglesby—unobserved by them—was entering the station from the west. Through valuable assistance rendered by Walter Russell, who was called upon to assist, the boys were captured and held until the officers arrived.

Kennedy admitted his theft; he took the money—seven dollars—he said, from under the carpet, where it was secreted.

Thursday evening the boys went to Bloomsburg, returning at a late hour. During the night they slept in a house car in company with a tramp.

The five dollar bill the boys said, they succeeded in getting changed in Bloomsburg. With the exception of a few cents none of the money was recovered. The officers on examining the man who shared the house car with the boys the night before found something over a dollar on his person, but he stoutly protested that the money was his own.

The officers brought the boys down town. Seaman was sent home and Kennedy was given into the custody of the sheriff and is still in jail. When before court in May Judge Evans told the boy that he would not send him to the house of refuge at that time but would give him another chance. He then made an order, which in effect suspended sentence and placed the boy under the care of the chief of police as probation officer.

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SOME INFORMATION AS TO TAXES

There are not a few persons in Montour county, especially in the borough of Danville, who, no matter what process of figuring they employ, seem unable to understand why their taxes this year should be slightly in advance of what they were last year.

While, no doubt, to a large number of tax payers the subject is perfectly plain, yet there are others to whom the manner in which taxes are assessed is not as clear as it might be, while there are still others, probably well informed on the subject, who lose sight of the fact that this year there is a slight advance in the total millage over last year.

The following brief explanation may be found of value:

The county tax is 3 1/2 mills, the same as in 1905.

The borough tax is 8 mills, same as last year.

The school tax is 7 mills, one mill more than in 1905.

The poor tax is 3 mills, one-half mill more than last year.

The total millage tax for all purposes, it will be seen, in the borough of Danville is 21 1/2 mills for 1906.

In connection with the above it must be remembered that the school board assesses a per capita tax of one dollar on each and every male inhabitant 21 years of age and upwards. This per capita tax is in lieu of occupation tax and by way of further explanation, it might be remarked that the school board does not assess the occupation of any person for school purposes.

Further, in the borough of Danville and Mahoning township, which constitute the Danville and Mahoning poor district, there is no tax collected on the occupation of the individuals. Elsewhere in the county, in Washingtonville and in the several townships, of course poor tax is collected on occupation and on all property.

The local company was the only one in the Third brigade that had its full complement of sixty-five men, the maximum strength, on the field for muster, the morning of inspection. This is indeed a rare occurrence, as companies may be recruited to full strength and at the last minute have men on furlough either by illness or by detention at home for other causes. The company had the honor of furnishing the bugler for regimental headquarters. The bugler was Edward Robinson, of Catawissa, formerly of the regular army. It is worthy of remark that he was the best bugler that the 13th regiment ever had and at the present time is the best one in the third brigade.

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Years ago when collieries were first opened up and crude methods were employed in mining, the smaller veins were left alone and only the larger ones mined. In these later days when modern machinery greatly simplifies the work of mining and everything is gotten down to a nicety, nearly all of the veins are being worked. Veins as small as two and one half feet are being worked and in some instances two foot veins are being worked.

CONDENSED NEWS.

Get rid of the San Jose scale.

Hazleton's old home week is on. The neglected child is almost certain to become an adult menace to the State.

Grown-ups have almost as hilarious times these vacation seasons as the boys and girls.

The Sherman house, one of the best boarding places in Shippensburg, was burned to the ground Friday morning.

He is a wise husband who treats his wife as considerably as he did his sweetheart.

Lebanon county farmers' smiles are unusually broad and they say they are justified in their happiness by the extraordinary size of the apples in their orchards and their good tasting qualities.

Work on the trolley line between Shamokin and Treverton is being pushed with great vigor, and it is expected that by the middle of August the cars will be running between the two places.

The Pottsville Republican asserts there is a huckleberry trust in that vicinity, and complains that the price has been needlessly increased from 10 cents to 12 1/2 cents a quart.

The average farmer is probably not aware of the fact that an average mule sells for \$10 a head more than horses. Such is the case, and the price has been gradually rising for a number of years. There has never been what would be called an overproduction of mules, while the market has often been unable to fully supply the demand.

The trees at several points throughout this section begin to show the effects of the locusts. The oaks of the branches are dead or dying and the leaves present a brown and sere appearance not unlike foliage at autumn.

During a severe storm Philip Nace, a farmer residing near Selingsgrove, was pinned to the ground by the roof of his barn falling on him. He was severely injured and is in a serious condition.

One sometimes wonders why a young person who can dance for hours on a sweltering night abstains from Sunday church-going because of the heat.

Grant Lewis, who through an attack of typhoid fever eleven years ago forgot he had a wife and family living at Shamokin, returned to his home Saturday and make arrangements to take his family to Chicago, where he now resides.

A Scranton dispatch says that John D. Lambert, of Keyser Valley, shot Michael Rupp, 15 years old, while Rupp was picking apples in one of his trees. Lambert was arrested and the boy, who has fifteen buckshot in his body, was taken to a hospital.

Two pet bears escaped from the Packard hotel, Tunkhannock, one of them attacking its keeper, Hiram Roth. The animal knocked him down, tearing his legs. Men armed with pitchforks drove the bear away. Roth was taken to a hospital in Wilkes-Barre for treatment.

The report of the forest and geological survey shows that 32,440,000 cubic feet of round timber and 131,365,000 board feet of sawed timber are yearly used in the anthracite mines.

Patrick Gallagher, of Leipserville, Chester county, was so affected by seeing a cow killed by the trolley car on which he was a passenger, that he swooned and did not revive for an hour.

COMPANY F. RETURNS HOME

Company F, Twelfth regiment, N. G. P., under Captain J. Beaver Gearhart and accompanied by Major C. P. Cameron and Assistant Surgeon Dr. Cameron Shultz, came marching home Saturday afternoon from their week's encampment at Gettysburg. The company arrived in a special car attached to the afternoon passenger train due to arrive at South Danville at 2:31, but which Saturday was about half an hour late.

The boys, although bronzed from the week's exposure, were in the best of spirits and marched down Mill street with an agile step. Captain Gearhart states that Company F was especially fortunate and that not one of its members fell the victim of illness or a mishap of any sort. The conditions at Gettysburg are nearly ideal for camping. As arranged at present the tented field occupies an immense area of ground with the result that there is an utter absence of crowding. It company came to him and offered him two other lots in a safe location in exchange for his old site and further offered to move his house to the new site. The offer was accepted and the house is now being moved.

The Patrick McDonnell estate next to the Maloney property is also endangered, and it is understood the same sort of a proposition has been made to the owners by the coal company, and the McDonnell house will also be moved to a new site.

For the present time, these are the only properties in danger, and in view of this fact, and the apparent backing down of the coal companies, the committee of nine appointed by the citizens to take measures to protect the town property are just now withholding action watching developments. If it is decided necessary Judge Evans will be petitioned to grant in chambers an injunction on the coal company, but there are now hope that drastic measures may not be required.

In line with the theory that the coal company contemplate giving other land for threatened property, and removing all buildings to a safe location, comes the report of an alleged conversation as follows:

SHOULD MOVE THE TOWN.

One of Centralia's widely known citizens was overheard by a newspaper man in conversation with a well-known coal operator on the train the other evening, and the Centralia man predicted the downfall (whether into the mines or not he did not state) of Centralia in a very short time. He stated that two houses are being now moved to places of safety to keep them from being engulfed by cave-ins and that many others will have to follow. He stated that the Kelly property is endangered and would have to be moved.

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This Centralia was of the opinion that Centralia is situated in the wrong place and stated that the town should have been laid out up on the flat to the north.

STREETS NEED SCRAPING.

The street commissioner has several men employed in scraping out the gutters where these have become pretty well clogged up with ground. This adds to appearance and places the town in better condition for heavy rains. On several of the streets near the center of town a good deal of loose ground has accumulated, which is mud and dust by turns. This should be scraped up and hauled away along with the accumulations in the gutters. Until this is done these streets will present a very uninviting appearance besides making it very uncomfortable for residents.

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COAL COMPANY IS MOVING HOUSES

The latest developments at Centralia seem to indicate that the coal corporation, which so brutally threatened to engulf into its mines many of the homes and business places of that borough, are afraid to force the issue when the critical moment arrives. The first house marked for destruction was the Martin Maloney home. Mr. Maloney owns two lots where his home is located near the outskirts of the town, and the mine workings have come so dangerously near the surface that the property was roped off as dangerous. The owner, however, courageously refused to be driven from his hard-earned home, and maintained that he would sink with the home rather than move.

When the mountain would not come to Mahomet, the latter had to go to the mountain; so also when Mr. Maloney would not be frightened from his home by the coal company, the company came to him and offered him two other lots in a safe location in exchange for his old site and further offered to move his house to the new site. The offer was accepted and the house is now being moved.

The Patrick McDonnell estate next to the Maloney property is also endangered, and it is understood the same sort of a proposition has been made to the owners by the coal company, and the McDonnell house will also be moved to a new site.

For the present time, these are the only properties in danger, and in view of this fact, and the apparent backing down of the coal companies, the committee of nine appointed by the citizens to take measures to protect the town property are just now withholding action watching developments. If it is decided necessary Judge Evans will be petitioned to grant in chambers an injunction on the coal company, but there are now hope that drastic measures may not be required.

In line with the theory that the coal company contemplate giving other land for threatened property, and removing all buildings to a safe location, comes the report of an alleged conversation as follows:

SHOULD MOVE THE TOWN.

One of Centralia's widely known citizens was overheard by a newspaper man in conversation with a well-known coal operator on the train the other evening, and the Centralia man predicted the downfall (whether into the mines or not he did not state) of Centralia in a very short time. He stated that two houses are being now moved to places of safety to keep them from being engulfed by cave-ins and that many others will have