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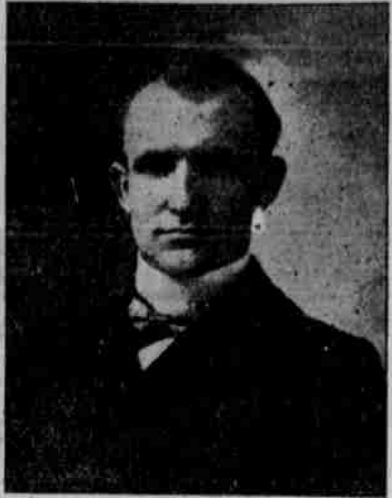
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## FROM THE FOREIGN FIELD.

Letter From Rev. Charles R. Pittman, Who Has Been a Missionary in Persia the Last Five Years.

### TELLS OF AN EVANGELISTIC TOUR.



REV. CHARLES READE PITTMAN.

Rev. Charles R. Pittman was born in Ayr township about 31 years ago. He is the only son of Jacob Pittman, deceased, and his mother, Mrs. Sarah Pittman, is now a resident of McConnellsburg. Early in life Charlie was deeply impressed with the need of men to carry the gospel message of Jesus Christ into heathen lands, and having decided to devote his life work to this service, he set about making the necessary preparation. To this end he took a four years' classical course at Easton, a three years' theological course in the Seminary at Princeton, and added to that a two years' course in Philosophy, embracing a total period of nine years of preparation at a cost from his own private purse of over \$2,500. At this point, he placed himself at the disposal of the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions, and was sent to Persia, in Asia, there at a distance of 10,000 miles from home to work among a strange people, with a strange religion, a strange language which he would have to learn, strange customs, and surrounded with more or less personal danger, and all this at a salary but little more than is received for teaching a country school in Fulton county. In this age of commercialism, one cannot help admiring the self-sacrifice of a bright young man, who sees something more in life than the mere matter of getting dollars and cents.

He left McConnellsburg five years ago last Wednesday and sailed from New York two days later.

[While not written for publication, we feel that the many friends of Charlie Pittman will read with pleasure the following letter.—Editor.]

TABRIZ, PERSIA, July 24, 1905.

DEAR MR. PECK:—

I have just returned to Tabriz from an evangelistic tour lasting eighty-one days which may contain something of interest to you. I spent nine days visiting eight Moslem villages on the road between Tabriz and Salmas. Salmas is a large plain about a hundred miles a little north of west of Tabriz, and borders on the north-western corner of Lake Urumia. Its chief town is Dilman where the postoffice is located which furnishes the inhabitants with a weekly mail. This fertile plain is dotted with a large number of villages, mostly Moslem, but also has a population of about twelve thousand Armenians, three thousand Syrians, and a thousand Jews. It would be a desirable place to live were it not for its exposure to frequent raids by the Kurds, and for the lack of government protection. I traveled on horseback and two horse carried my baggage consisting of bedding, cooking utensils, clothing, and, also, scriptures and tracts for sale or free distribution. My servant rode on one of the loads.

Perhaps a few notes from my diary concerning the first two days of my journey may give you some idea of touring in this country.

Tuesday, April 11.—Left Tabriz at 9:30 a. m., and reached Isme Kamar at 6 p. m. Stopped fifteen minutes at a tea house to eat my lunch. In Isme Kamar, stopped at Kerberla Karim's house. After supper, ten men came to see me and I read to them the Sermon on the Mount. One of them is the tax collector of the village and can read. Dr. Wright gave

## Wilson—Largent.

On Tuesday evening, August 15, 1905, at 8:30 o'clock, at the First Lutheran parsonage, Chambersburg, Pa., Rev. Dr. E. H. Leisenring united in marriage Clarence E. Wilson, of Chambersburg, and Miss Barbara C. Largent, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Largent, of McConnellsburg.

The bride is a well known and highly esteemed young lady of this place. The groom is a highly respected young man of Franklin county.

Their many friends join in wishing them a happy and prosperous voyage on the sea of life. They expect to go to housekeeping in the near future in Chambersburg.

him a Gospel and a tract on a former tour and I gave him a tract, "The Desecrated Temple." All were friendly and no objections were made.

Wednesday, April 12.—Went to Kundur and stopped with Moshady Goolam. Eight men came in and watched me eat dinner.—One was argumentative. Said he would not leave the religion of his fathers, and that his feet were healed by a miracle while on a pilgrimage to Kerberla last year.—Even wanted to argue that fingers and not forks, were intended to convey the food to the mouth.—After dinner I called on Mahmood Agha (former acquaintance), who is totally blind. There I talked with seven men, reading from Matt. 15: 1-20, then went to a garden and talked with three men and read to them the parable of the barren fig tree.

While returning to my lodgings I met Kerberla Ali (a former acquaintance), who brought me a present of almonds. In the evening Kerberla Ali, Mullah Habeeb, ("Mullah" is the title of a Moslem priest), and a half dozen others came in and we argued on the authenticity of the scriptures, and Christ or Mohammed as mediator.

The third day I stopped in a village which I had visited a year and a half ago and had given to the son of a shop keeper, in whose house I was stopping, a few cards containing verses of scripture in Persian. On arriving there this time, I found he had used them to decorate his shop so that all who came to his shop who could read, were reading Rom. 6: 23, John 5: 39, &c. I remained over Sunday in the house of a shop keeper in another village of seven hundred houses. In the afternoon, I went to the shop of my host and sat down on a stool in front of it. Soon a few men gathered around me and began to ask questions, first about the war between Russia and Japan and then about the "new world" as they call America. I talked to them about America with the aim of showing them some of the blessings of Christianity and emphasized especially religious freedom. They were all very friendly and courteous, but when the crowd numbered fifty or sixty I decided to return to my lodgings. After returning, a mullah, who had seen me at the shop and heard I had books with me, came to see them. I showed him the New Testament and he was so pleased with it he purchased two copies—a Turkish and a Persian translation, sending the money for them the next morning.

I remained six weeks in Salmas in the home of our preacher there and, together, we visited twenty-eight villages in that vicinity finding our way into the homes of all classes from that of the governor of the province to that of the day laborer.

From Salmas, I went twenty-four miles northeast to Khor and staid two week and returned to Tabriz in three days, arriving June 30th. Fourth of July all the missionaries spent the day picnicking in an almond garden. An Englishman was our guest and we planned an American flag on him and took him along to help celebrate.

Your friend,  
CHAS. R. PITTMAN.

## WINK—SNYDER, NUPTIALS.

Miss Tempie M. Snyder Becomes the Bride of S. Leone Wink.

A very pretty home wedding at which Miss Tempie Snyder became the wife of S. Leone Wink, took place last Wednesday evening at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Jane Ann Snyder near Gem.

At 5:30 o'clock the guests numbering about fifty, assembled in the parlor which was tastefully decorated. A beautiful garland of rhododendron and spruce decorated with flowers, was swung gracefully over a doorway in front of which Elder C. L. Fink stood awaiting the approach of the bridal party.

At a signal from Miss Estella Hart, of Needmore, who sat at the organ and played a beautiful wedding march, Prof. B. N. Palmer and Miss Lillian Wink, the latter a sister of the groom, and Mr. T. E. Wink and Miss Orpha Snyder the latter a sister of the bride—as groomsmen and bridesmaids, entered from the opposite side of the room, followed by the bride and groom, and in a moment the party stood before the minister listening in the stillness that usually pervades an assemblage at that interesting moment to the solemn words that were legalizing the union of hearts and hands of the happy couple.

It was a handsome bridal party. The bride, gowned in white organdie with white roses in her hair, looked especially pretty, while the bridesmaids in India blue, were typical American beauties. The sturdier members of the party looked all right, too, but we don't want to make them vain.

After the ceremony and congratulations, the dining room door was thrown open and a sumptuous dinner served. The remainder of the evening, until a late hour, was spent most pleasantly.

Mr. and Mrs. Wink will at once begin housekeeping on the groom's farm near Sipes Mill, and enter upon the duties of married life with the best wishes of a host of friends.

## PLEASANT RIDGE.

Simon Deshong and family are spending a few days at Crystal Spring Camp, and visiting in the family of his brother-in-law, Thomas Starr.

Banner Correll, of York, Pa., spent a part of last week, the guest of his cousin, J. W. Lake, and family.

Mrs. Louie (Bard) McInay, of Yellow Creek, spent last week with her father, brothers and sisters, John Bard and family.

Miss Estella Bard, of Elkins, W. Va., is also spending her vacation at home.

Mrs. D. H. Constable and children, of Johnstown, Pa., are guests of Mrs. C's uncle, Squire D. P. Deshong and family.

Mrs. Florence Wink, of Andover, is spending a few days with Mrs. Maria Palmer, near Needmore.

Mrs. Mabelle J. Dixon, of Chambersburg, is circulating among friends and relatives in little Fulton.

Mollie Mellott, of Plum Run, spent Sunday with the family of her mother, Mrs. J. W. Dishong. Dr. and Mrs. Hoop, of Andover, are in attendance at the Crystal Spring Campmeeting.

Mrs. Mary Lako and daughter, Rhoda, of Philadelphia, are spending a few days at Crystal Springs, attending Campmeeting.

Corder Snyder and wife, of Gem, were in town a few hours Monday.

B. P. Young of Hollidaysburg, and C. H. Kendall of Altoona, are spending this week in this county looking after timber land.

Miss Margaret Daniels, of Sipes Mill, has returned home after a two weeks' visit with her sister, Mrs. W. M. Dixon, in Pittsburg.

## WALNUT GROVE.

Large Attendance at the Campmeeting This Year. All the Cottages Occupied.

### REMOTE SECTIONS REPRESENTED.

The twelfth annual assembly of the churches of God on the grounds of the Walnut Grove association near Maddensville, Huntingdon county, opened August 11th, and is largely attended. All the cottages are occupied and more could have been rented.—The religious services, and environments of the location contribute to physical rest, mental recreation and spiritual growth.

The annual convocation is becoming more popular each year and more remote sections are being represented.

Among those from a distance we note the presence of Jackson Lamberson and family, Peter Kutchall and family, and Blanche Kephart and Mary Lorenz, of Huntingdon; Bertha Madden, one of Blair county's most successful and talented teachers; George Nonemaker and family, David C. Locke and others of Altoona; Jacob Bare, of York, and J. A. Myers, of Monaghan, York county; Elsie Ashton, of Broadtop City; Dice Locke and wife, of Woodvale; Miss Susan Myers, Rush and Herman Locke, Mrs. Anne Woollet and George W. Ashton, of Pittsburg; Miss Ora Slick, Lemuel Ramsey and family, William Dailey and family, and William Hoop of Saxton; Mrs. Sadie Coolidge, of Smith Center, Kansas, and her father Judge S. L. Buckley and his daughter, Miss Anna, of Fort Lattleton; also Frank Bare and wife and little Margery, Mrs. Bertha Bare, Sheriff Fleck and wife, Benjamin Wilds and wife, and Miss Carrie Hill, of Fort Lattleton; Harry Hamil, wife and sister Miss Nell Hamil of McConnellsburg; Alice Long, Bessie Wagoner, and Nettie Heater, H. O. Hamill Mrs. B. R. Cline, and A. L. Wible and wife of Knobsville. Mr. Wible is the popular tenorsial artist and is gladly greeted each year by his many pleased patrons. From the "Buckeye" state we observe Judge Ferrenberg and Daniel Ferrenberg and wife, of Gibsonville.

The Pacific coast is represented by Wesley Stevens and wife and Samuel Weight, of Long Branch, California, and Miss Sadie Grove, of Pasadena, Cal. Sunday's services were well attended and a deep interest was manifested in the able and eloquent sermons delivered by Rev. Strayer, Rev. J. T. Fleegal, of York, and Rev. Ocker.

Inspiring music is rendered by the congregation, led by a choir of young people. Miss Bertha Locke presides at the organ with grace and efficiency.

The best of order prevails and the social feature is a happy incident of the occasion. E. R. Wible, wife, daughters and helpers are in charge of the dining hall and restaurant and furnish a bountiful supply of palatable viands to feed the hungry masses; ice cream and other refreshments are also served.

The oldest member of the church in attendance is "Grandpap" Philip Locke, now in his eighty-ninth year, but well preserved physically and mentally. His quiet, unassuming manner indicates the depth of his piety, and the purity and solidity of his principles. He stands among us like the sturdy oak or stately pine of a broken forest, unscathed by the storms of nearly a century, that have stricken down well nigh all the companions of his youth.

With fair weather next Sunday will witness a vast throng in attendance. Rev. F. W. McGuire, of Saxton, and other ministers are expected this week.

Geo. W. ASHTON.

Aug. 15.

## TO CROSS THE PACIFIC.

Dr. Webb McKibbin and Family Start for the Philippines Next Saturday.

Vet. R. Weber McKibbin, of the 4th U. S. Cavalry, who has been at Fort Walla Walla, Washington, for several months, will sail with his regiment for the Philippines in a few days. His wife, who is Minerva, a daughter of D. M. Kendall, of the Cove, with their baby daughter, will accompany him. They will leave Fort Walla Walla next Saturday, for San Francisco, and on the fifth of September, will set sail in the Steamer Buford for their far off destination. Their friends desiring to write them, and letters will, of course, be most welcome while in that distant part of Uncle Sam's possessions, should be addressed

VET. R. W. MCKIBBIN,  
4th Cavalry,  
Manilla, P. I.

## WEST DUBLIN.

Maynard Sipes, of Pittsburg, attended church at Fairview on Sunday evening.

Rev. Salter and wife, of Hustontown, spent Sunday night at Hiram Clevenger's, on their way to Campmeeting at Crystal Springs.

The rain of Sunday morning caused some of our people who had started to Campmeeting to return; others kept on, however, and were well pleased with the trip.

Rev. Salter preached at Fairview on Sunday evening, upon the Comparison, Character and Durability of Charity, from the text: And now abide Faith, Hope and Charity, these three, but the greatest of these is, Charity.

Edna Gilliland, of Allegheny, has returned to her home, after a three weeks' visit among friends here.

Nathan Deshong and John Mumma, who tenant P. R. Austin's farm, had killed this year, until Aug. 15, thirty-seven snakes most of them being copperheads. Among the others was the largest rattlesnake that Mr. Deshong had ever seen.

Edna Gilliland and Ruth Lyon spent a day or two last week with relatives in Hustontown.

J. E. Lyon has bought a fine two-horse top spring wagon.

M. L. Kirk has returned from a business trip to Cumberland, Md., and Altoona, Pa.

Luella Laidig, who is employed in Altoona, is visiting her parents, Joseph Laidig and wife.

## SPOOK HOLLOW.

Plenty of rain and, therefore, the roads are in bad order.

Our people that were at Campmeeting at Crystal Springs, report a large crowd and no dry time.

Our farmers are getting ready for the corn harvest, which is exceedingly good.

Gilbert C. Mellott has secured employment with the Pittsburg Life and Trust Company, until his school begins.

The base-ball team at Needmore is getting along finely.

Anderson Mellott and family were among the people who attended camp, Sunday.

Harry Mellott and family, of Tod township, spent several days with the families of Ben Truax and Alfred Mellott.

Rumor says, Wedding Bells. Who is it going to be?

Our new Postoffice is quite a boon to our corner.

## Going to the Expo.

George A. Hess, of Pine Village, Ind., in remitting another year's subscription to the News, says that they have had a fine season out there. A wind storm in June wrecked a windmill on his farm and uprooted a lot of trees. He expects to go to Portland the last of this month to attend the big Lewis and Clark exposition.

## Birthday Dinner.

A pleasant social event occurred at the home of George Hoop, in Licking Creek township last Sunday. It was the celebration of the anniversary of Mrs. Hoop's birthday. The guests began to assemble early in the day, and at noon, the tables, which had been coupled together, were laden with a bountiful supply of appetizing viands. Mrs. Hoop was the recipient of many gifts, among which was a nice dress from her sister in Kansas.

Those that were present were Baltzer Mellott and wife, of Sipes Mill; Jonathan Cooper, of Iddo; Hartman Truax, wife and grandson Dewey; Frank Mellott, Geo. C. Dishong, wife and daughter Lenora; Jordan Dishong, wife and daughters, Dessie, Olive and Gladys, of Pleasant Ridge; Mollie Mellott and Benjamin Fisher, of Plumrun; Thomas Hollenshead and wife, Howard Hollenshead, wife and daughter Lena; John Lake and wife; William Hoop, wife and son John, of Harrisonville; Eliza Mellott, of Gracey; Mrs. Emaline Chesnut and daughters, Mae and Libby; Mrs. David Forner, Sadie, Peter and Ira; Allen Skiles, wife and daughter Mollie and son George, of Hustontown, and Mrs. Forner's grandson, Freddie Pittman, of Mercersburg, who is visiting at the home of his grandparents; Lewis Mellott, wife and son Merrill and daughter Georgia; Mrs. Lucina Mellott, Harry Mumma, wife and three children; Brady Mellott and wife, of Harrisonville, and Grandmother Dishong. They all went home feeling they had a good time.

## One That Was There.

### ENID.

Robert Early is visiting in Juniata.

Annie and Maggie Foster, of Sixmile Run, are visiting Della Foster.

Mrs. Ollie Edwards and sons, of Osceola, are visiting friends in the Valley.

Mrs. Lizzie Woodcock and daughter Ruthie visited Mrs. Ollie Edwards last Friday.

Harry Zern and wife were out driving and visited Mrs. Zern's sister, Mrs. David Knepper.

Cloyd Edwards, who is still working in the Juniata shops, paid his parents a short visit on Monday.

As Enid is a small place and not much doing, the items were not reported last week. Hope it may not occur soon again.

The farmers are busy threshing out their crops, and are being rewarded by excellent returns for the labor of the past year.

A. S. Edwards and daughter Mabel are in Altoona visiting friends, and incidentally consulting an optician for Mabel's eyes.

W. W. Smith was a caller at H. M. Edwards' last Friday evening. He left on Friday morning with one of our young ladies for Crystal Springs camp.

John's new hack is doing good service, for he was on the way to camp bright and early Saturday morning with a load of boys and girls. Maggie and Lillie Stunkard were members of the merry crowd.

Some malicious scoundrel fired into a herd of W. R. Keith's cattle a few days ago with a shotgun putting an eye out of one of the cattle and seriously injuring another, and one of them is missing. Such conduct is most reprehensible, and should be looked after.

The school board met for the last time for the election of a teacher for No. 4. Daniel Cunningham was the lucky boy. Our home boys and girls have surely been in luck in securing schools, a matter of which we, as a township, should be proud. May the patrons of the various schools not be too harsh in their criticisms but lend encouragement to the young teachers; and if they should have an occasional shortcoming, not hold it up to public view. Remember you were once a beginner yourself.

## ABOUT PEOPLE YOU KNOW.

Snapshots at Their Movements, as They Come and Go.

### NAMES OF VISITORS AND VISITED

Home for a Vacation, Away for an Outing, a Trip for Business or Pleasure. You'll Find It Right Here.

David Malloy visited friends in Chambersburg over Sunday.

W. D. Myers, of Hancock, and part of his family, are rusticating at Atlantic City.

Miss Minnie Mock spent Monday and Tuesday of last week with friends at Shade Gap, Pa.

Miss Bessie Myers, of Hancock, is visiting the family of her uncle, Geo. W. Hays, of this place.

Mrs. E. T. Whiter, of Allegheny City, is a guest in the home of her sister, Mrs. A. D. Dalbey.

John E. Peck, of Cito, was among those from Ayr, who attended the Crystal Springs Campmeeting.

Mrs. Minnie Marshall, of Shippensburg, is visiting her brothers, Jacob G. and George W. Reisner, in this place.

Howard Shumer and family of McKees Rocks, Pa., are visiting the former's mother, Mrs. Anna Shumer on Water Street.

Miss Elizabeth Patterson, of Everett, is visiting in the home of her parents, Hon. and Mrs. D. H. Patterson at Webster Mills.

Miss Blanche Barton, of Philadelphia, is spending her vacation at the home of her brother, Prof. C. E. Barton, of this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Wilson, of Chambersburg, are the guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Largent, of this week.

Mrs. L. H. Wible and son Hollis, of this place, visited Mrs. Wible's parents, James A. Stewart and wife, at Greenhill last week.

Miss Honora Dickson, of Philadelphia, is visiting the family of Hon. W. Scott Alexander, and other friends in McConnellsburg.

Rev. and Mrs. J. V. Adams and daughter, Henrietta, are spending a two weeks' vacation with relatives at Everett and Bedford.

J. Bernard Wishart and wife, of Bordentown, New Jersey, are visiting the former's parents, Dr. and Mrs. H. S. Wishart, on East Water street.

Miss Ella Shimer of Philadelphia, is spending her usual summer vacation in the home of her mother, Mrs. Annie Mary Shimer of this place.

Dr. and Mrs. Nick C. Trout, of Fairfield, Pa., have been spending the past week with the former's mother Mrs. M. B. Trout, in this place.

Miss Sadie Michaels, one of Everett's efficient primary teachers, has been spending the past week with her sister, Mrs. G. W. Hays, in this place.

Miss Jess Nace, who had been spending a few weeks very pleasantly at the Washington House, returned to her home at Chambersburg, last Thursday.

Charlie Seville has just received notice of his election to the principalship of the Broadtop City schools, and will enter upon his work there the first Monday in September.

Miss Sallie McKibbin, who had been spending her summer vacation with her parents, Geo. W. McKibbin and wife in Buck Valley, has returned to the Industrial school at Scotland.

Rev. and Mrs. A. F. Waldo and daughter, Josephine, who had been spending their vacation at the Washington House, in this place, returned to their home at Chambersburg, last Friday.

Miss Blanche O. Peck, of Knobsville, went over to Martinsburg, W. Va., last Saturday, and took advantage of the excursion to visit Washington City on Sunday. While in Martinsburg, she was the guest of her uncle, James A. Peck.