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MRS. DR. WISHART.

Died at Johnstown, Last Friday Afternoon, After Protracted Illness.

FUNERAL MONDAY AFTERNOON.

The following from last Friday's Johnstown Tribune tells of the death of one of Fulton county's most highly esteemed ladies.

"While in a state of unconsciousness, which came over her last Wednesday evening, Mrs. Maria Horton Wishart, wife of D. H. S. Wishart, of McConnellsburg, Fulton county, passed peacefully to rest at 12:45 o'clock this afternoon at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. George S. Fockler, No. 419 Franklin street. Illness overtook Mrs. Wishart soon after her arrival last October, on a visit with South Side relatives. She had been ailing since last June, about five months before she came to this city, but her condition was not such as to cause any alarm at that time. It was thought a trip to this city, the change of climate, and the renewal of former acquaintances would assist in restoring her health. She gradually declined, however, and was unable to return to her home in Fulton county. Alternately she was confined to her bed during the past four weeks.

"Maria Horton Wishart was known to many Johnstownians. She was a member of a family identified with the early history of the city. She was born on Christmas Day, 1843, in a house located not far from the present Fockler home, being a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan W. Horton. At the age of sixteen years, not long after her mother died in this city, she left with her father and went to Wells Valley, Fulton county. There her father died. On September 17, 1861, she was married to H. S. Wishart in Everett. Very soon afterward Mr. Wishart entered the services of his country and participated in the Civil War, and on his return from that struggle he and Mrs. Wishart located in Harrisonville, Fulton county, where Dr. Wishart began practicing medicine. Harrisonville was their home for thirty-six years, and five years ago they moved to McConnellsburg.

"To Dr. and Mrs. Wishart were born six children, four sons and two daughters John, the eldest son, died a few years ago in Philadelphia, where he had practiced pharmacy. There survive, besides Mrs. Fockler, the following children: Joseph Bernard, of Bordentown, N. J.; Jessie B., of the Pension Office, Pittsburgh; Norman A., of Pittsburgh; Nathan H an employee of the Westinghouse Company, Pittsburgh. Two brothers—Samuel, a retired Surgeon of the Regular Army, located in Massachusetts, and Edward A., a merchant, of Wells Valley—and a sister, Laura C., wife of T. Speer Dickson, of Philadelphia, also survive. George Wishart Fockler, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Fockler, of the South Side, is the only grandchild of the deceased."

Mrs. Wishart's funeral took place on Monday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock conducted by the Rev. Dr. C. C. Hays, pastor of the Main Street Presbyterian church, Johnstown, and her remains were laid to rest in Grandview Cemetery.

Mrs. Wishart was a life-long member of the Presbyterian church and a woman of most excellent qualities of heart and mind.

Dr. S. S. Fleming, of Siltico, and Miss Martha Crouse, of Shade Valley, were recently married by Rev. Father McQuilon at Huntington. The groom is a prominent young dentist and enjoys a large practice in the town where he is located and his bride is a popular school teacher and one of the township's best young ladies.

CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS.

Names of Ministers and Places Familiar to Fulton County Readers.

The Central Pennsylvania Methodist Episcopal Conference concluded its annual session at York on Wednesday of last week with the reading of the appointments of ministers. All the presiding elders of last year were reappointed. The appointments most interesting to Fulton county people, are as follows: C. W. Bryner returns to McConnellsburg-Knobsville-Fort Littleton charge; Wesley M. Clinego s from Burnt Cabins to Hustontown; S. J. Pittenger goes from Harrisonville to Burnt Cabins, and Luther F. McGarvey comes to Harrisonville; Harry K. Ash goes to Martinsburg; G. P. Sarvis, to Blain; W. A. Carver to Morrisdale; Harry W. Newman returns to Beaver Meadow; L. D. Ott to Danville; Henry M. Ash to Montandon; Geo. A. Duval back to Delano; John C. Grimes, back to Riverside; Burnham, Wm. Moses; Barnesboro, E. M. Aller; Manor Hill, Geo. M. Shimer; McVeytown W. W. Reese; Newport, J. V. Adams; Rays Hill, C. F. Weise; Reedsville, W. J. Scheaffer; Three Springs, Jonathan Gulden; Circuit, Geo. W. McLinay; Slate Run, Owen Hicks; Mulberry street, Williamsport, Oliver S. Metzler.

A Few Questions Answered.

MR. EDITOR:—I have been requested to answer through the paper, a few questions.

1. If we had an assessment only every five years, who would register those becoming voters between assessments; and how much would be saved the County if my views should become laws?

As to registration, the Constable, or some one else elected or appointed, could attend to that matter, sitting two days about the first of October of each year, after first having posted notices of this sitting, for which a reasonable compensation should be given. This plan would save the County at least six hundred dollars annually when there was no assessment. As to the amount saved I will only give a few items at present:

Assessments	\$600.00
One Election annually	400.00
Certificates for births and deaths	100.00
Nominating candidates as by the present method	150.00
For ballots and supplies	50.00
Total amounting to	\$1300.00

On these items alone when we have no assessments.

Through the courtesy of the efficient Clerk of the County Commissioners, we ascertained that the valuation according to the last assessment, was a little over nine thousand dollars less than the one preceding it. It however, cost the taxpayers of Fulton county nearly one hundred dollars to find that out.

With an assessment every five years, these fluctuations would not occur.

The second question is: Would I try if elected to push these through?

In answer, I will say that I would consider myself pledged to do my utmost to do so. I cannot see why any one should object to them, as no one would be the loser, and it would benefit every taxpayer in the State.

Hoping this may be satisfactory, I am,

Yours truly,
A. J. REMSBERG,
Warfordsburg, Pa.,
March 23, 1908.

Capt. Skinner Operated On.

At the Chambersburg hospital Monday night, the Hon. G. W. Skinner was operated on for an abdominal abscess, complicated with appendicitis. The operation was performed by Dr. Gibson, of Philadelphia, and was highly successful. Captain Skinner resting well over night, and he is reported as progressing favorably. The Captain was not etherized, the only anesthetic used being a local application.

FIRE'S DEVASTATION.

The Buildings Comprising the Beautiful Home of Judge L. P. Kirk Totally Destroyed.

LOSS ABOUT \$5,000, SMALL INSURANCE.

About 3 o'clock last Thursday afternoon fire caught in the roof of the dwelling house of Judge Lemuel P. Kirk, of Pigeon Cove and within an hour the house, barn, and all the outbuildings, excepting a small shed were entirely destroyed.

At the time the fire started no men were at home except Judge Kirk and he fought the fire desperately for a short time, but gave up after being burned in the face and hands.

The fire occurred during a strong wind, and within a very few minutes it was impossible to remove anything from the house. All the household goods were destroyed, excepting a part of the furniture, etc., from two of the lower rooms.

The flames seemed to devour everything in their path—all the yard trees, vines, and palings that surrounded the house were burned to the ground. All the clothing of Mr. Kirk's family save what they had on was burned except one armful that Miss Kirk managed to recover during the fire.

Several attempts were made to reach a large sum of money that was in an upper bed room; but the men were so often driven back by the flames, that they were forced to leave it burn with the rest—the furniture, carpets, rings, watches and silverware. The men now turned their attention to the barn and tried to save it, but the flames swept on with such fearful rapidity that it was soon a mass of flames.

Judge Kirk's son Grover, ascended to the roof with water to keep the roof from catching, but the flames caught in the inside of the barn, the ladder was broken down, his clothes set on fire, and it was only after a heroic effort that he escaped with his life. One horse was burned, besides the wheat, corn, binder, wagons, harness, hay, and other implements. Seven other buildings were burned besides the house and barn, and the only one saved was a shed.

The loss is estimated at five thousand dollars. It is covered by a small insurance of about one-fourth the loss.

Of this pleasant and attractive home situated among the trees in the "Cove" all that now remains is a blackened shed and two tall chimneys.

HIGH SCHOOL ENTERTAINMENT.

Promises to Be the Best Play Ever Given Here by the High School.

The McConnellsburg High School intends to have a dramatic play at the Court House, on Friday evening, April 10th.

We think that this is by far the best play that has ever been performed by the High School of this place.

The pupils are trying to make this more successful than any preceding effort put forth by the High School.

Come and spend an evening with us and we are certain that you will never regret hearing "Topsy Turvy."

Town Properties Sold.

The brick house property of the late Mrs. Sarah Pittman, widow of Jacob S. Pittman deceased, was sold last Saturday at public sale to A. U. Nace for \$4490. This is better known to our older readers as the Jordan property.

On Tuesday the Dickson property on the corner of Water street and Second street, better known to the older people as the Preacher White property, was sold at public sale on Tuesday to Judge Peter Morton for \$3800.

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PHILIP S. OTT

Died at His Home in East-End Extension, Yesterday Morning. Funeral Friday.

Philip S. Ott, aged 30, years, 8 months, and 21 days, died at his home in the East-End Extension, McConnellsburg, at 6 o'clock, Wednesday morning. Funeral will take place from his late residence at 10 o'clock, Friday morning, and interment will be made in the family lot in Union cemetery. Mr. Ott had been a victim of consumption for several years; and during the last two years, has been continuously under the care of his physician. About two weeks ago, he took his bed with grippe; and the weakened condition of his system, made it impossible to withstand the attack.

He is survived by his wife, who was Rosa Paylor, and two children—the eldest being about six years of age. Also, by three brothers—John, William, and Daniel and three sisters, Ada, wife of Allen Grissinger; Clara, wife of Henry Shue, and Lillian, wife of W. S. Claveger.

NEW GRENADA.

James Truax, of Tioga County, is home on account of the illness of his brother Joseph. He has been absent from here about nine years.

Mrs. David Long, formerly Lizze Dunlap, is visiting her many friends in this corner.

Ye Editor, or some of your imps, cause our items to be mixed by times; as, for instance: The Oak Grove dedication as written—you had it Walnut Grove; and, last week, you had A. D. Alloway was moving to Ed Alloway's farm, when we had it A. B. Berkstreser—and so on. Take a horn out of some other jug, next time, and see better.

Joseph Truax is still living but growing weaker. Has about as much grit as a man could have.

Saturday evening, Mrs. Larkin Moore and Larkin, No. 2—boy—arrived at the Mills home, hale and hearty.

Charles Thomas and family, of Siltico, Sunday with friends here.

Harry Gaster took his wife to her home on Saturday near Bethlehem, and returned on Sunday, leaving her with her parents. Harry will be a widower for a few days.

Irvin Crider, of Altoona, is moving to James Sipe house in Wells, and will work for Geo. W. Sipe this summer.

At this writing Mrs. Ellen Thomas is still seriously ill, and no prospects of recovery.

Master Roy Early visited at William Alloway's last week. A Sunday School was organized at Bethel. Mrs. Harry Gaster was elected superintendent and Mary McClain secretary.

Candidates, James Sharpe, Emanuel Keefer, and Samuel Garland were political callers in our valley during the past week, fixing fences.

William Stains moved to Sprunfield township, Huntingdon county, last week, from Ed Alloway's farm.

A Surprise Party.

On Tuesday evening of last week, a surprise party was held for Mrs. Rash Jackson of this place: Those present were: Mrs. Fassold and family, Mrs. Cyrus Meutzer and daughter; Mrs. Ralph Reed, Mrs. Christ Shimer, Mr. and Mrs. Ahimaz Clevenger, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hill, Mrs. Helman, Mrs. Wilbur Grissinger, Miss Jessie Correll, Mrs. F. K. Stevens, Mrs. P. F. Blacker, Mrs. N. H. Roettger and daughter Ruth, Mrs. J. W. Rammel, Mrs. Jackson, Robert, and daughter Maybel; Mrs. Gehret and daughter Bessie, and Luther Black. The evening was well spent and about eleven o'clock the guests went to their homes wishing Mrs. Jackson another such occasion. Mrs. Jackson received many useful presents.

LYNCH—TROUT NUPTIALS.

Beautiful Wedding Solemnized in the Presbyterian Church Tuesday Evening.

BRILLIANT RECEPTION FOLLOWED.

Since "all the world loves a lover" it very naturally follows that great interest is manifested in the culmination of a love affair—a happy marriage.

The one topic for several moons in society circles was the coming Lynch—Trout wedding, which occurred on Tuesday, March 31st at 7 o'clock p. m., in the Presbyterian church. Rev. Dr. W. A. West, by the use of the beautiful and impressive ring ceremony, united in marriage two of our most popular young townspeople, Mr. Ellis L. Lynch and Miss Florence Irene Trout. The groom is the son of District Attorney Frank P. Lynch, and the bride is the daughter of the late Dr. W. F. Trout and Mrs. Matilda B. Trout. Miss Trout is petite in figure, of a pronounced brunette type, and a most capable and agreeable young lady. She was richly and becomingly dressed in a white embroidered robe—style, princess—entrain, and wore a veil with coiffure decoration of orange blossoms. She was accompanied to the altar by her brother, Dr. Clarence N. Trout, of Red Lion, Pa., and carried a bouquet of Bride's roses.

The groom wore the conventional dress suit and boutonniere. Miss Maria Dickson Alexander pianist rendered most effectively the wedding march by Lohengrin as the party took their places at the altar. Mrs. E. R. McClain, sister of the bride was matron of honor, and was a picture of loveliness in a white embroidered robe of net over white silk. Wreathed in pink satin ribbons with hair decoration of pink moss-rose buds, she carried a bouquet of pink carnations.

The bride's maids were Miss Isabel Collins, of Philadelphia, and Miss Mary Sloan, of McConnellsburg, Pa. These ladies wore dainty gowns of white point d'esprit over pink silk with bandeau of pink satin ribbon and small rose buds as a hair decoration, and carried bouquets of pink and white carnations.

The gentlemen of the party were—best man—Dr. Walter de la M. Hill, of Everett, Pa.; ushers—Maurice E. Trout, of Philadelphia, and E. M. McClain, D. F. Trout and W. R. Sloan, of McConnellsburg.

The church was profusely decorated—a very forest of palms, ferns, &c., lending the proper shadow effect to the brilliant lights and floral decoration.

After the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride and refreshments served to about two hundred guests.

The dining room and bride's table expressed the pink and white color scheme, in dainty ribbons with evergreen accompaniment.

At 11 o'clock the bride and groom left for a tour of the eastern cities, bearing with them the best wishes of a host of friends for their future welfare and happiness. On their return they will be at home on W. Water street McConnellsburg.

Out of town guests in attendance at the wedding were, Mrs. Nell Shoemaker, Chambersburg, Miss Ida Huber Lancaster, Pa., Dr. Walter Hill and wife, and Oscar D. Doty, of Everett and Glenn Eichelburger, Saxton.

Elder C. L. Funk, Mrs. B. F. Shives, of Ayr, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Daniels of Lower Thompson, Mrs. Dennis Gordon, Miss Marjorie Stoutteagle, Miss Jessie Mellett, T. K. Downs of Iddo, and Masters Charley Pinge Dayton and Denver Evans, were visitors at N. H. Evans Saturday evening and Sunday the 22nd ult.

OPEN LETTER

To the Democratic Voters of Fulton County.

MR. EDITOR:—By your permission I wish to state to the Democratic voters of Fulton County that I have been informed that the report is circulated in some sections of the county, that I have withdrawn as a candidate for Assembly. As the same trick has been played before and as I do not expect to be able to see many of the voters, wish to inform them that I have no intention of withdrawing, but will be in the field until the evening of April 11th next, if I shall live so long. Have been asked to give my views in regard to certain measures that may come before the House at its next Session and can say that if elected will discharge the duties of the office according to the best of my understanding without prejudice fear or favor and in the interest of all the people; will not favor any measure that has for its object the creation of offices or post of profit of doubtful utility in order to make places for favorites and political henchmen, am not in favor of one class to the detriment of another, and believe the object of all laws should be the welfare of our Common County and its citizens and that the farmer, the mechanic, the miner and the laborer who create the wealth of the Country, ought to share its blessings without oppressive taxation.

A fair expression of the will of the voters at the coming primary will be satisfactory to me.

Respectfully,
JAS. P. WALTZ,
March 30, 1908.

ENID.

T. Speer Dickson brought Joseph Truax from the Medico-Chi hospital on Tuesday. He stood the trip very well and continued about as when he got home. Mr. Dickson returned to Philadelphia Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Wagner spent Sunday in the Valley.

The schools of the valley will all close within the next two weeks.

Chas. Deshong leaves the valley—moving to Clay township, Huntingdon county.

W. R. Foster, of Trough Creek spent a few days with friends and relatives recently.

The candidates were taking advantage of the fine weather and calling on their friends last week.

W. L. Cunningham is preparing to build a new barn. H. J. Rider is the carpenter.

Mrs. J. R. Foster of Altoona is visiting relatives in the valley.

A. S. Edwards is visiting relatives at Osceola and other places.

James Truax came home to see his brother Joseph. He has not been home for seven years. He is living in southern New York.

Our Public School Pupils.

Have you ever noticed the tidy and prosperous appearance of the one hundred and sixty boys and girls who attend our public school.

No where in this or any other State will you find a neater, cleaner, more appropriately dressed, body of pupils, than fall into line at nine o'clock each morning, and march to study in the different rooms.

Their fine personal appearance and good sanitary condition, reflect great credit on the faithful mothers of the town, who in many instances provide these comforts at the cost of great self-denial and unremitting labor.

Napoleon has been credited with saying, that, "The great need of France, is mothers." McConnellsburg is supplied with them—good, capable, industrious, loving, mothers, who look well to their families' comfort as evidenced by the neat, natty, well-made, well-darned well-chosen clothing of the pupils of the public school.

ABOUT PEOPLE YOU KNOW

Snapshots at Their Comings and Goings Here for a Vacation, or Away for a Restful Outing.

NAMES OF VISITORS AND VISITED

McConnellsburg Schools. Fifth Month.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Gunnells, spent Sunday afternoon at the home of Daniel E. Fore, Esq.

Mr. A. V. B. Souders, of Ayr township, a Civil War veteran, spent Saturday in town.

Miss Mertie Stoner and her aunt, Mrs. Annie Benford, are visiting friends in Chambersburg this week.

Miss Mary Wilkinson went to Baltimore last Saturday to take special instructions in the art of dress making.

W. V. Hart and Geo. W. Mellett, of Whips Cove, spent Thursday night in the family of Frank P. Lynch, Esq.

F. McNaughton Johnston and wife of Washington, D. C. were here Tuesday evening for the Lynch-Trout wedding.

Mrs. Daniel Lamaster and son Cieneth and Miss Ivy Lamaster of Marks Franklin county visited Daniel E. Fore's last week.

Master Christy Martin, of Lamaster, is spending a few weeks in the home of his grandfather C. Martin in the Cove.

Misses Bessie Motter and Annie Comer of Chambersburg are both here for a little visit at their respective homes.

H. B. Bergstresser, one of the enterprising business men of Three Springs, was a caller at the News office while in town Saturday.

Miss Jessie Mason a student at the Indiana State Normal is spending her spring vacation with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mason.

Rosie E. Fegley writing from Tiffin, O., says she likes the place, and they, like, ourselves, have been having beautiful weather this spring.

Mr. J. H. Feagley, of Pleasant Ridge, called at the News office a few minutes while in town Monday. Mr. Feagley will be a reader of the "News" another year if he lives.

S. O. Leevy, of Mercersburg, Route No. 2 spent from Saturday until Monday with friends on this side of the mountain. Mr. Leevy moved this spring about a mile and a half from where he lived last year.

Mr. J. L. Garland, of Belfast was in town a few hours Monday. Mr. Garlent says that his mother, Mrs. Rhoda Garland is suffering from a sore hand resulting from a broken wrist several months ago.

During the first three months of this year there were reported to J. S. Harris, local registrar for this district, comprising the townships of Dublin, Tod, Ayr, and the Borough, 19 deaths and 24 births.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Scott who have resided in this place several years, have had a sale and removed to Chambersburg. We regret that Mr. and Mrs. Scott go away as they were good citizens and faithful church and Sunday school people.

Mrs. Jonathan P. Peck, of Knobsville, who is threatened with a return of the paralytic trouble from which she suffered several years ago, went to Philadelphia on Monday to consult a specialist in the treatment of nerve diseases. She was accompanied to the city by Mrs. B. W. Peck.

W. H. Peck and son Raymond were in town Monday. Will says that Mrs. Henry R. Brewer has been pretty sick for several days, but that she is getting better now; also that William Keiser has been suffering from a severe attack of rheumatism and heart trouble.