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STRUCK BY LIGHTNING.

Ex-County Commissioner John Fisher's Barn Burned to the Ground Last Thursday Afternoon.

ONLY A SMALL INSURANCE.

During a severe electric storm that passed over the lower end of the County last Thursday afternoon, the barn on the farm of Ex-County Commissioner John Fisher, of Thompson township, was struck by lightning and totally destroyed. As the rain came up, the horses were run into the stable with the harness on, and when it was found that the barn was on fire, the horses were taken out, and they, with the harness on them, were the only things of value that were saved. All the hay and straw, the wagon, grain drill, and other farming implements stored in and about the barn were totally destroyed.

There was on the property a small insurance, which will be but a small portion of the loss which falls heavily on Mr. Fisher.

HUSTONTOWN.

Miss Margaret Flasher, of Newport, is visiting her friend Miss May Barton of this place.

Miss Lillian Miller, of Dublin Mills, spent a few days last week visiting her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Jere Laidig in this place.

N. E. Hoover, of Mount Union, spent the 4th of July in our town. He was accompanied on his return to Mount Union, Monday morning, by A. V. Woodcock, who has secured a position at Beer's Hotel.

The relatives of the landlady, who have been visiting our little town for several weeks have returned to their homes.

The 4th of July celebration held at this place passed off very smoothly, the most fascinating occurrence of the day was a baseball game between Shade Gap, a team that met its first defeat of the season on Saturday, and Hustontown.

The home team played fine ball, allowing the visitors only one run, until the 8th inning when Hoover's arm weakened on account of being out of trim, and allowed the visitors to make a few runs in the last two innings.

The exciting point of the game was reached in the third inning when W. W. Hoover lined out a home run with two men on bases. The lineup was as follows:

Hustontown.	Shade Gap.
Barton, c.	Piper, c.
	Murphy, Pyles,
Hoover, W. p.	Snyder, p.
Hoover, N. 1b.	Montgomery, 1b.
Bowman, 2b.	Hague, 2b.
Chesnut, 3b.	Keil, 3b.
Spangler, s. s.	Jones, s. s.
Kerlin, l. f.	Pyles, l. f.
Praker, c. i.	Price, c. i.
Sunson, r. f.	Murphy, r. f.

Score:

Hustontown, 11 | Shade Gap, 6

"ROUND ABOUT."

The farmers of this vicinity are all busy harvesting.

Some of our young people attended the fourth of July celebration at Crystal Springs.

Lois Decker is employed in the home of Mason Daniels.

Miss Effie Hockensmith of Johnstown is visiting friends and relatives in this vicinity.

There will be a festival held at Greenhill M. E. church on Saturday evening July 11, to which all are invited.

News is scarce this warm weather so we will come again when News gets plentier.

Rev. Strayer's Announcements.

Bethlehem—Preaching Saturday evening at 7:45; Christian Endeavor Sunday evening at 7:45.

Knobsville—Preaching at 10 a. m., Sunday.

Hustontown—Preaching at 2:30 Sunday afternoon.

Mt. Tabor—Sunday school at 9:30, a. m.; preaching at 7:45, p. m.

BASEBALL GAME.

Wells Tannery and Sandy Run Cross Bats on Fourth of July.

The Wells Tannery team played the Sandy Run team on the former's grounds at Wells Tannery last Saturday with the following result.

Wells Tannery.	Sandy Run.	R.
Horton, P., fb	2 Weary, 1b	0
Johnson, 2b	1 Martin, A., 2b	1
Fester, 3b	2 Casto, 3b	1
Truax, ss	3 Renart, ss	1
Horton, H., lf	3 Theys, lf	1
Gibson, cf	2 Goris, cf	0
Guillard, rf	3 Richart, rf	0
Horton, J., c	3 Martin, D., c	2
Waring, p	2 Martin, L., p	1
Total, 22	Total, 8	

Judging from the report of the game sent in for publication, the contest was not altogether harmonious, and it does not usually improve conditions to go into print with unkind criticism.

Lawn Social.

A social was given at the home of Ulysses S. Deshong last Friday evening in honor of their oldest son Wishart, who reached his 21st milestone on the above named day.

Early in the evening, despite the busy season, people began to arrive and the lawn with its brilliant illuminations was dotted with happy groups engaged in different sports, or passing the time in pleasant conversation as best suited their tastes. Later in the evening the long table on the lawn was unveiled and ice-cream, cake, and lemonade were served to sixty-some guests, and in the wee sma' hours the company dispersed, feeling that a very pleasant evening was their's to record in their memory's history.

Those present were James Mellott, Elmer Mellott, George Trout, and Albert Feagley; Goldie Sipe, Bessie Skiles, Florence Wink, Anna Polk, David Kline, Clarence Mellott, Mary Deshong, Blanche Wink, Mary R. Deshong, Charles Mellott, Oliver Daniels, Roy Sipes, wife and daughter; Eland Deshong, Scott Mellott, Earl Palmer, Reynard Mellott, Jeannette Deshong, Curcha Truax, George Daniels, John Feagley, Clarence Deshong, Edith Sipe, John Sipe, Elias Deshong, wife and son; James Feagley, wife and daughter; Charles, Fred and John Hockenberry; William Deshong, wife and children; Sheridan Deshong, wife and children; Jordan Deshong, wife and children; Wm. Polk, Pearl Feagley and Veda Mellott.

The Oldest of Postmistresses.

Mrs. J. R. McCasky, postmistress at Shermansdale, Perry county, who celebrated her 81st birthday anniversary a few days ago, is believed to be the oldest postmistress in the United States in regard to age and is the oldest as to service, having held the office since 1877, a period of thirty-one years. During President Cleveland's first term another of the town's citizens was appointed, but there was a general appeal to have her retained and when the President heard of the circumstances he revoked the appointment and had Mrs. McCasky continued.

Marriage Age Increased.

It is generally admitted that the marriageable age of women has advanced considerably of recent years. Many a bride has long left girlhood behind her before she exchanges her vows at the altar, and there seem to be few young men nowadays who care to assume the responsibilities of married life until they are in the financial position usually associated with middle age.—Woman's Life.

Our townsman Cashier M. W. Nace has just treated himself to a fine new Indian Queen two-cylinder motor cycle, a great hill climber. When it comes down to a matter of speed the automobile isn't in it with the motor cycle.

THE GLIDDEN TOUR.

Left Buffalo This Morning and Will Pass Through McConnellsburg Next Monday Forenoon

FROM BEDFORD TO HARRISBURG.

The Fifth Annual Tour of the American Automobile Association, in accordance with their schedule, left Buffalo N. Y., this morning at 7 o'clock, for a trip of 1,700 miles, covering a period of 15 days, during which time they will travel through seven different states, and cross five mountain ranges. The longest run in any one day will be that from Albany to Boston on the 17th of July—194 2 miles.

The tour last year was made from the 10th to the 24th of July, and covered a distance of 1,570 miles, starting at Cleveland, O., thence via Toledo, South Bend, Chicago, back to South Bend, thence to Indianapolis, Columbus, Canton, Pittsburg, Bedford Springs, McConnellsburg, Baltimore, Philadelphia, and ending up at New York City.

The itinerary for this year's run, giving the places where the overnight stops will be made, and the distance of each day's run, is as follows:—

July 9—Buffalo to Cambridge Springs, Pa.	117.4
July 10—Cambridge Springs to Pittsburg, Pa.	132.2
July 11—Pittsburg to Bedford Springs, Pa.	106.4
July 12—Sunday rest at Bedford Springs.	
July 13—Bedford Springs to Harrisburg, Pa.	107.3
July 14—Harrisburg to Philadelphia, Pa.	133.6
July 15—Philadelphia to Millford, Pa.	121
July 16—Millford to Albany, N. Y.	125.5
July 17—Albany to Boston, Mass.	194.2
July 18—Rest at Boston.	
July 19—Boston to Poland Springs, Pa.	154
July 20—Poland Springs to Hancock Lake, Maine.	141.7
July 21—Hancock Lake to Saratoga, N. Y.	144.5
July 22—Saratoga to Bethlehem, N. H.	130
July 23—Bethlehem to Saratoga, N. Y.	144.5
Total.	1,669.7

The advance cars next Monday will reach McConnellsburg about 8 o'clock, and the tour will have passed through here by ten. It may be witnessed anywhere along the pike passing through this county. At the forks of the pike east of town the tourists will take the Loudon pike and go by way of Chambersburg.

It would not be wise for persons to attempt to do much driving on the turnpike with horses that are in any way nervous about automobiles, during the time the party will be passing.

There will be somewhere between sixty and a hundred cars in the tour.

Charles J. Glidden, donor of the trophy, will be a Glidden tourist this summer as usual, and will start with the caravan of cars. Mr. Glidden will be the guest of Mr. Hower, manager of the contest, and will ride in his Pierce car, starting every morning a half an hour before the first contestant, and setting an even pace. No contesting car will be allowed to pass the chairman's car. This is a rule to prevent racing.

Important Decision.

Judge Sadler, Carnale, recently handed down an opinion in the case of Reed vs. Vanalsdan, which is of great importance. The case comes from Mt. Holly Springs. In this case an execution was issued. The Court states in his opinion that when an execution is issued against the husband and the wife claims the goods and chattels levied upon, the Act of Assembly requires that when a claimant to the goods levied upon, if they are not in possession of the said goods, the claimant must pay a fee of \$4 to the sheriff as costs of the appraisal.

In this case payment of the fee of \$4 was refused on the grounds that the wife was living with her husband, and being in joint possession with him in the goods claimed, she was therefore exempt from the payment of the fee. The court decided that in such case the husband was presumed in law to be in possession of the goods levied upon, and that the wife must pay the appraisal fee.

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Birthday Surprise.

Last Thursday being a nice day, Mrs. Clarence Brewer was persuaded to go visiting and not return until the cool of the evening. After she was gone, busy hands went to work preparing a great feast and surprise for her. When evening came and Mrs. Brewer returned, what did she find but a well filled house of friends and relatives assembled to celebrate her twenty-sixth birthday. After a good social chat, the young folks indulged in games on the lawn, until the call for supper. Promptly at 10 o'clock, the doors of the dining-room were thrown open, and we beheld the long dining table beautifully decorated with the choicest flowers of the season, and the table well laden with the most beautiful cakes, oranges, bananas, lemonade and ice cream. Well, there never was better made. We all ate and ate to our hearts' content.

Mrs. Brewer received many presents, among them, a beautiful hemstitched set of table linen, a lovely blue and white Haviland china fruit dish, towels, glassware, stationery, and many other useful articles.

Among those present were:—Mr. Clarence Brewer, Mrs. Mary Brewer, Mrs. John Jenkins, of Redmon, Ill.; Dr. D. E. Fisher and son of Needmore; Mr. and Mrs. Enoch Mellott, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Hatfield, Misses Julia, Bertha, Mary and Rebecca Sinsel, Laura Runyan, Eva Bernhart, Gertie & Mamie O'Rourke, Rose Weaver, Mattie Bernhart; Martha Hixson, of Waynesboro, Pa.; Lillie Palmer, Anna and Mary Sigel, Goldie Sharpe, Maude and Goldie Mellott, Messrs. Charles Sinsel, George Weaver, Willard Palmer Stevie and Frank Fisher, Charles Kunyan, Vernon O'Rourke, Ward Bernhart, Scott Mellott and Russel Shaw, of Pittsburg.

ONE OF THE NUMBER.

Divilbiss—Elwood.

A very pretty wedding took place at the M. E. parsonage on Sunday, July 5th, at 4:30 o'clock, when Mr. Harvey W. Divilbiss, son of David W. Divilbiss, of Mercersburg, and Miss Matilda Elwood, daughter of Mrs. M. J. Daniels, of New York Mills, were made one.

The ceremony was witnessed by Jacob Comer and wife, of Mercersburg, and Miss Nellie Comer and Mrs. Bryner, of this place. These splendid young people have both for some time past been employed in Pittsburg, where the friendship was formed that eventually caused two hearts to beat as one. After an extended bridal tour this happy young couple will settle down to the stern reality of housekeeping in Mercersburg, where they will be at home to their many friends.

KNOBVILLE.

As harvest is here the hum of the binder can be heard in all directions.

Mrs. Bruce Cline and daughter Mabel, of Huntingdon, are spending a few weeks with friends and relatives near here.

Bert Kelson moved into his new home last Wednesday.

Grover Peck, who has been employed at Fort Loudon, started for West Virginia yesterday.

Amy Myers spent Sunday at Cloyd Kerlin's.

Herbert Kerlin is on the sick list. We hope for his speedy recovery.

John W. Snyder and family spent Sunday with his brother Wm. E. Snyder.

There will be a base ball game Saturday, July 18, at 2:30 o'clock and a festival in the evening at 7:30. The proceeds to be expended for the benefit of the base ball team. The boys are putting forth every effort to have it a success. Come one. Come all.

RECORD OF DEATHS.

Persons Well Known to Many of Our Readers, Who Have Answered Final Summons.

ALL SEASONS ARE THINE, O DEATH.

EMMA HIXON.

Mr. Emma Hixon died at his home in Allegan, Michigan, on June 2, 1908, after a few hours illness. He had been working all day in the hot sun, and after eating a hearty supper, complained of a pain in his shoulder. A short time afterward he became unconscious and passed away in a few hours. Deceased was a son of the late Timothy Hixon, of Brush Creek Valley, this county, and went west when a young man. Not long ago he moved on a farm in Michigan. Mr. Hixon was about 60 years of age and is survived by his wife and the following sisters and brothers: Mrs. Elmira Lodge, of Crystal Springs; Mrs. M. A. Reeder, of Everett; Mrs. Jane Garland, of Lanark, Illinois; Mrs. Henry Wilt, of Breezewood; Mrs. William Ensley, of Robinsonville; Clayton Hixon, of Buck Valley; Lewis B. of Clayton, Kansas; Harry of Philadelphia; Perry, of Lanark, Illinois; and Aquila, of Dayton, Ohio.

MRS. LIZZIE CUTCHALL UMHOLTZ.

The subject of this notice died at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Cutchall, near Watertall, on Wednesday, July 1, 1908, of tuberculosis of the throat and lungs, after having been a sufferer for several years. In testament made in the cemetery at Bethel church on the second day of July, funeral service conducted by Rev. Flegal of Three Springs. Lizzie was the oldest child of her parents, and was married to James Umholtz, of McConnellsburg, Pa., where they resided for many years. Two daughters were born to them—Helen and Lena—aged about 10 and 6 years, respectively, who have been living with their grand parents since the death of their father about one year ago, at McConnellsburg of the same disease as that which took away the wife. It seems somewhat unfortunate that these two nice little girls should thus be bereft of the care of a mother and the support of a father; but there is a compensation in the fact that they are left in the care of two such splendid people as their Grandfather and Grandmother Cutchall.

Lizzie was a consistent member of the Zion M. E. church and is now reaping the reward of the blessed. She was aged 32 years, 5 months, and 6 days.

WEST DUBLIN.

John Edwards and wife, who have been living in the western states for quite awhile, are visiting the family of their nephew, J. H. Edwards, and other relatives in this township.

Daisy Hoover spent the time from Friday until Monday with friends in Hustontown.

Mrs. Atkinson, of Pittsburg, is visiting the family of Hiram Clevenger.

Rev. Cline preached a good sermon Sunday forenoon at Fairview, the text being "Hope."

A number of our people attended Independence Day Celebration at Hustontown, and report a good program. Among those who could not attend was our friend Hiram Clevenger, and knowing the value of time wherever we are, he tied, gathered, and shocked more than forty loads of wheat, and piled three loads of hay, until about six o'clock Saturday evening. The next day—Sunday—he was not behind at Sunday school, while many much younger were conspicuous by their absence.

Mrs. Snyder, wife of Ex-County Treasurer, George Snyder, of this place, is critically ill, suffering from cancer.

THE FOURTH

A Quiet Day in McConnellsburg. Farmers Busy with Their Harvest.

The Fourth was an ideal harvest day, and owing to the heavy crop of wheat to be gathered, which was in prime condition for the reaper, farmers did not feel like taking chances for wet weather, and preferred to go into the harvest field rather than take a day off.

While the business places in McConnellsburg were all open as usual, there was plenty of time to rest. Early in the morning the Band and many of our younger people went out to Hustontown where a big time had been promised, but the Taylor township farmers were like the Big Cove people—they thought more of taking care of their crops than of listening to Fourth of July orations, or feasting on peanuts, ice cream, and watermelons; consequently, the celebration at Hustontown was not up to the standard of former years.

Some of our young folks made an effort to get up a picnic to go to the top of the mountain, but there were not enough that showed sufficient interest in this to make it a success; and, consequently, it did not materialize. During the day, however, several persons did drive up to the mountain, or took a lunch and went out to some cool place and spent an hour or two.

In the evening, the streets began to show signs of life, and there was the usual noise of fire crackers, and fourth of July racket which was kept up until midnight.

A very pretty display of fireworks was given at the toll-gate west of town by Mr. W. H. Staley, and was much enjoyed by many people in town.

One of the most pleasant features of the day was a porch party given by Mrs. C. R. Spangler to about three dozen of her lady friends at the beautiful Spangler residence on North Second street. The decorations, refreshments served, and the pyrotechnic display, were all such as to make the evening one of genuine pleasure to all who were fortunate enough to be present.

There were fewer cannon crackers used than on former occasions; and, consequently, fewer chances for accidents. There were no accidents during the day, and the nearest to one, happened to Harry Bender, twelve year old grandson of Martin M. Bender. Harry had been amusing himself putting off "salutes" a kind of firecracker about three inches in length, and pretty "stout." He lit one, and when it refused to "go off" he stuck it into his trousers pocket, and intended giving it another trial some other time. It had not been in his pocket long, until it warmed up to business, and when Harry was not thinking about the cracker, it "went off" with a deafening report, tearing a big hole in Harry's pants, and giving Harry the worst scare of his life. That he was not fearfully injured seems almost miraculous.

SALUVIA.

The grain and hay crop in this township is above the average this year.

There will be a festival at the Greenhill Methodist church next Saturday evening. Proceeds for the benefit of the church.

George McDaniel, who had been employed at Johnstown, returned home last Friday evening.

Erven Bennett, who had been visiting his uncle Scott Kagarse, returned to his home in Everett a few days ago.

Uncle John Hann came in Monday with a fine lot of huckleberries. He says he did not see any rattlesnakes.

There will be a festival held in the grove of the Green Hill, M. E. church, Saturday evening, July 11, 1908.

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.

Miss Ethel Burtfield of Shippenburg spent several weeks in the home of J. S. Nelson.

Miss Cora Peck spent a few days during the past week in the home of her uncle, the Editor of the NEWS.

Misses Carrie and Nellie Rummel, of Gettysburg are visiting among their McConnellsburg relatives and friends.

Miss Mazie Mellott was down among her friends in Belfast township over Sunday. She expects to return to Philadelphia next week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Sloan and children, who had been spending two weeks with relatives here, returned to their home in Buffalo, N. Y., Monday.

Mrs. John Jenkins and son and daughter, of Redmon, Ill., are visiting in the home of Mrs. Jenkins' parents, Mr. and Mrs. James O'Rourke, near Covait.

Mr. and Mrs. Stuart L. Brown, and the latter's sister, Miss Mary Forrest—all of Chambersburg, spent the time from Friday until Monday at the Fulton House.

Mr. Ed Munson of Hancock and Miss Clara Boden of Piney Grove, were guests of Mrs. M. A. Kelley and Mrs. J. G. Alexander Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.

Mrs. Edgar G. Criswell, and little daughter, Jean Parker Criswell, came over from Chambersburg last Saturday to spend a few days among their Fulton county friends.

Mrs. Harry Mock, of Altoona, came to McConnellsburg last Saturday. She was accompanied by her mother Mrs. Rebecca Snyder, who had been visiting in Altoona.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Atkinson, of Mercersburg are visiting the latter's parents. Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Simpson in Thompson township, and other friends in this county.

Mrs. T. W. Walker and little son William Sloan Walker of Mercersburg have been spending a few days in the home of Mrs. Walker's parent's W. A. Sloan and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. A. Irwin entertained about forty of their friends last Thursday evening in honor of the home coming of their son J. Frank, and his bride from Philadelphia.

Riley Garland, of Cito, made a trip to Hancock a few days ago where he met his friend Mrs. John Riley, of Cumberland, Md., and Mrs. Wm. Brechler, who are visiting Mr. Garland's family at this time.

Mr. and Mrs. F. McNaughton Johnston and Mr. and Mrs. John Uring and son Neil—all of Washington, D. C., came up to McConnellsburg last week for a summer outing. Mr. Johnston will incidentally look after the gathering of the harvest on his farms in the Cove.

George Pockler, accompanied by his brother-in-law Nat Wishart, his sister-in-law Miss Jessie Wishart, and his sister Mrs. Jennie Slater, came over from Johnstown last Friday afternoon in his automobile and remained until Sunday morning in the Wishart home in this place.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Staley and Mrs. Harry Sipes and son—all of whom had been spending two weeks in the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. V. Sipes at the toll-gate, left Tuesday morning. On their way home they stopped with friends in Chambersburg, from which place they took an automobile trip to Gettysburg and over the celebrated battlefield.

We hope their visit was as pleasant to them as it was to their friends here.