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## RECORD OF DEATHS.

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

### ALL SEASONS ARE THINE, O DEATH.

#### BRIDENSTEIN.

At his home in Wells Valley, on the evening of September 9th 1909, of paralysis, John E. Bridenstein, aged 76 years, 4 months and 27 days. He was buried in the U. B. Cemetery on Saturday afternoon, services conducted by Rev. Fleagle, of the M. E. church. Uncle John, as he was usually called, was a veteran of the civil war. He spent most of his days in Wells Valley, and was a tiller of the soil, and noted for raising choice fruit. He was a good christian man, a member of Wells Valley M. E. church most of his life. There were no children the result of his married life, hence he is survived by his wife only, who is nearing the four score line. In his home he was noted for his hospitality and was a kind husband and good neighbor. Those fervent prayers which echoed from his lips in the churches of the Valley will be heard on earth no more, but he is now reaping his reward eternally. Let there be peace to his dust.

#### HOUP.

Harry H. Houpp, a veteran of the Civil War, and a former resident of Wells Valley, died at his home in Hollidaysburg, Pa., last week, after an illness of several weeks of cancer of the stomach. The deceased was born in Huntingdon county 67 years ago, but has resided in Hollidaysburg during the last ten years, where he followed the occupation of a carpenter. He was a member of the Masonic fraternity for thirty-eight years, being a member of Logan Lodge, Altoona; he was also a member of G. A. R. Post in Hollidaysburg.

He leaves a wife, Mrs. Clarissa Houpp, and six children, to wit: Mrs. G. N. Fisher, Pittsburg; Mrs. Ada Johns, Lewistown; Miss Sue Houpp, Chicago; Miss Bessie at home; D. S. Houpp, New Mexico; Otho, at home. Mrs. Sarah Schenck, of Wells Tannery this county, is a sister. He was a life long member of the Methodist church.

Interment was made at Shybeaver, Huntingdon county, last Saturday.

#### KELSO.

Mrs. Catherine Kelso, widow of James O. Kelso, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Alice Beach, near Ponko City, Oklahoma, on the first day of September, aged somewhere near seventy years. The deceased was a daughter of Jacob Clapsaddle, of Knobsville, this county, and a sister of Daniel Clapsaddle, of Mercersburg, and a sister of Mrs. Nancy Comer, of Burnt Cabins. She was also a sister-in-law of Rev. D. W. Kelso, of Knobsville, and leaves one daughter and five sons to mourn her departure.

#### CHAMBERLAIN.

At the home of J. Cal. Foster, in Wells Valley, on Sabbath night, of cholera infantum George Jr., little son of Mr. and Mrs. George Chamberlain, about 1 year. Interment at U. B. Cemetery.

#### Fire Near Fort Loudon.

Between 9 and 10 o'clock Friday night the log and weather boarded barn on the farm of Charles Kissel, near Fort Loudon was destroyed, together with crops, wagons, buggies and farm implements. The fire had the appearance of being incendiary origin and it is thought that kerosene was used in starting the conflagration. The building burned rapidly and the neighbors, with Mr. Kissel, only succeeded in saving the stock. One cow was badly burned. The insurance is small.

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## STATE SUNDAY SCHOOL WORKERS MEET IN OCTOBER.

Forty-Fifth Annual Convention to Be Held at Harrisburg. Strong Program Prepared.

Unless all signs fail the coming State Convention of the Pennsylvania State Sabbath School Association to be held in Harrisburg October 13, 14 and 15 will far exceed in numbers, interest and enthusiasm all former meetings of the association.

The past year has been one of intense activity along Sunday school lines in every county throughout the State. Statistics recently gathered show marvelous growths in Teacher Training Home Department Work and Organized Adult Bible Classes. The magazine writer who said that Sunday school work is on the decline certainly did not get his information from Pennsylvania.

The program prepared for the State Convention is a strong one and contains the names of Governor Edwin S. Stuart, Bishop James Henry Darlington, Hon. John Wansmaker, Mr. H. J. Heinz, W. C. Pearce, Chicago; Rev. David James Burrell, D. D., New York; Mrs. Mary Foster Bryner, Chicago; Dr. Joseph Clark (Timothy Standby), Columbus; Mrs. Zillah Foster Stevens, Alton, Ill.; Mr. E. C. Foster, Detroit; Mrs. Maud Junkin Baldwin, Indianapolis; Mr. Dave Porter, New York; Prof. E. O. Excell, Chicago; Rev. Floyd Tomkins, Philadelphia, and others.

The special features of the convention will be a half day-session for Elementary Grade workers; a Teacher Training Conference, a Home Department Conference, a Temperance Teaching Conference, a Missionary Teaching Conference, an Organized Adult Bible Class Rally Conference and mass meeting; a parade of O. A. B. C. men. Class delegations will come from many sections of the State to participate—5,000 men will be in line with bands and banners.

All railroads will sell reduced fare tickets. The delegate credentials for Fulton county are issued through Rev. J. M. Diehl, McConnellsburg, Pa., Corresponding Secretary of the County Association.

Programs for the convention and other printed matter can be obtained by writing to W. G. Landes, General Secretary, 701-2 Witherspoon Bldg., Philadelphia, Pa.

#### Sunday School Convention.

One of the most interesting Sunday school conventions ever held in the County, was that at Fairview church in Taylor township last Saturday.

The special feature of interest was the enthusiasm manifested everywhere. The music conducted by the Fairview choir was superb. The District President Martin Laidig did his part well. The Field Secretary's interesting and instructive addresses were pleasing to all.

One of the interesting features was the short and instructive talks by Mrs. E. H. Kirk. What we need at a Sunday school convention to make it a success is more such enthusiastic and instructive talks from the workers themselves. Among the speakers were Rev. Erb, Rev. J. H. Hoffman, Rev. Harry Moyer, and E. H. Kirk.

#### AN OBSERVER.

Martin L. Peck and wife, of Pectonville, Md., are spending this week visiting among their many Fulton county relatives and friends. Mr. Peck is one of Maryland's prominent lumbermen, and has a big steam threshing outfit at work in Franklin county. It was his traction engine that went through a bridge on a township road near Foltz a short time ago, and the supervisors of Peters township thought it good business to settle the damage with Mr. Peck for a hundred and ten dollars.

## ACCIDENT IN BUCK VALLEY.

The Exploding of a Dynamite Cap in Cook Stove Seriously Injured Miss Margaret Scriver.

Miss Margaret, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Scriver, who lives at Buck Valley postoffice in Buck Valley, is one of those industrious girls that shares the duties involved in housekeeping with her mother. On Wednesday afternoon of last week she was doing the sweeping, and like most people, threw the sweepings into the cook stove, to get rid of the lint, &c. Scarcely had she thrown this into the stove, until a loud explosion took place—pieces of the cook stove flying in every direction, striking the young lady and lacerating her body shockingly.

The noise attracted other members of the family who immediately summoned a physician. She bled profusely, but the flow of blood was gotten under control, and her wounds dressed, and she is now said to be doing well as could be expected.

The trouble arose from a dynamite cap dropped on the floor by her brother Raymond, and it was swept up unnoticed by the unfortunate sister.

#### September Weddings.

##### EARLEY—STUNKARD.

At high noon on Wednesday, September 15, at the M. E. parsonage, McConnellsburg, Charles William Earley, son of James Foster Earley, and Miss Mary Matilda Stunkard, daughter of John Stunkard, both of Wells Valley, were made husband and wife when Rev. C. W. Bryner pronounced the words "Those whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder." The bride was prettily attired in a white silk princess suit while the groom wore the conventional black.

The groom is a blacksmith by trade, located at Enid, this county, where they will at once enter upon the duties of house-keeping. Their many friends join in wishing them a long, prosperous and happy life.

##### REINHART—BISHOP.

A quiet wedding took place at the M. E. parsonage on Tuesday September 14th, at 11 o'clock, when Clarence H. Reinhart, of Maddensville, and Miss Ella J. Bishop, of Dane, were united in marriage by the bride's pastor, Rev. C. W. Bryner. The bride and groom are highly esteemed young people of our County. They will make their home in Altoona, where the groom for some time has been in the employ of the P. R. R. Co. May they have smooth sailing over life's matrimonial sea is the wish of their many friends.

##### ROWE—HEETER.

On September 10, 1909, at the residence of Jacob Orider, at New Grenada, Russell E. Rowe and Drucilla Heeter, both of Wells township, this county were united in marriage by M. W. Houck, Esq. There were about thirty relatives and friends present and a sumptuous supper for all present.

The Magsam Brothers have resumed work at their coal mine east of town. Finding that the pumping facilities in use last spring were inadequate, they have installed a new thirty-horse power boiler, and steam pump, capable of discharging two hundred gallons of water a minute from the mine. The drift is now in about one hundred feet, and the work will be pushed forward as vigorously as possible. So confident are they that coal will be found in abundant quantity that no effort or expense will be spared to develop the enterprise as rapidly as possible. It is the opinion of coal experts that if coal is not there, it is the biggest bluff ever put up.

Miss Emma McGovern, who had been away on a visit, is now staying at the Washington House.

## PASTOR WEDS.

Rev. John M. Diehl, of the Presbyterian Church, Wedded to Minnesota Bride at High Noon To-Day.

Rev. John M. Diehl, pastor of the Presbyterian church in this place and that at Greenhill, left here at noon Monday for Minnesota, where to-day at high noon, in the Presbyterian church at Shakopee, Minn., he will be united in marriage with Miss Jeannette Clarissa, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elnathan Judson Pond, of that city.

Mr. and Mrs. Diehl will take their honeymoon trip during Mr. Diehl's vacation, and return to this place about the fifth of October.

#### Joe Meant Well.

Mrs. Grace Bender had three nice hogs in the pen fattening for winter meat. Since the death of her husband, C. C. Bender, a few weeks ago, she decided to sell two of them, and this she did, keeping the nicest one—worth about twenty dollars. Joe Thomas, Trout's colored man-of-all-work, made some ice cream the other day and got some salt in it. Thinking it too bad to waste it, he offered it to Mrs. Bender for her hog. Without a thought of ill consequences the hog had ice cream for desert one evening. The porker was not used to such high living, and the next day complained of a pain in his inards, which kept on getting worse and worse until sometime Sunday night the hog died. That's about all there is to tell about it.

#### That Water.

Attention has been called again to the importance of being careful in the use of drinking water, and cemeteries filled with typhoid fever victims are silently admonishing us to heed the warning before it is too late. The Board of Health has recently sent samples of water from each of five sources in town, to wit: Dickson's spring, Sipes' spring, Court House well, Frank Lynch's well, and the Water Company's reservoir to Philadelphia and had it analyzed under the supervision of the State Board of health, and the result of analysis is as follows:

|                   | Bacteria per c. c. | B. Coli per c. c. |
|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Sipes Spring,     | 4800               | 7                 |
| Dickson's spring, | 16000              | 13                |
| Lynch's well      | 3000               | 0                 |
| Court House well  | 10000              | 0                 |
| Reservoir         | 3600               | 0                 |

What does this mean?

Bacteria per c. c. means the number of bacteria found in 1 cubic centimeter of water. As an ordinary wine glass, or tumbler holding a half pint, is equivalent to about 237 cubic centimeters, any one drinking a glass of water from the Dickson spring swallows 3,792,000 bacteria, 3,081 of which are bacteria coli.

Bacteria are microscopic vegetable organisms found in putrefying organic infusions—that is, like little fine pieces of moss so fine and small as not to be visible to the naked eye. Bacteria coli, the second kind mentioned above are only found in water contaminated by sewerage—or to make it so plain that there can be no misunderstanding—water thus contaminated contains leakage from some privy.

It will be seen from the above analysis, that the wells do not show this contamination, but that both springs do.

Active construction work on the Midland railroad, which will connect Bedford with Altoona, was started, when a gang of workmen began the work of stringing the ties. Several car loads of ties were taken to Brooks Mills and rails and other materials are to be taken as rapidly as possible. At Summit, Bedford county, a large switch has been placed in position and at East Freedom a corps of eight engineers is located who are personally taking charge of the work.

## MRS. JOHN TRUAX INJURED.

Face and Head Cut and Bruised While She Was at the Barn Doing the Evening Work.

Mrs. John Truax residing near Needmore this county received injuries a few evenings ago that to say the least are very painful. Both she and her husband are advanced in years, and her husband has been in poor health for a long time. Mrs. Truax went out to the barn in the evening to do the milking and a little feeding, and feeling weak and indisposed thought she would go into the entry at the barn and rest a few minutes. This is the last she remembers about the circumstance until some time afterward she found herself at the house calling to her husband to ring the bell to attract the attention of the neighbors. When her husband came out he found her all bruised and bleeding about the head and face, without any knowledge of how the injury was brought about. Whether or not she was attacked by some one lying in wait, or whether she fell, may not be known. A physician was called, and Mrs. Truax is recovering.

#### Must Be Well Founded.

Justices of the Peace should bear in mind that under the provisions of an act of assembly approved by Governor Stuart, May 18, 1909, persons making charges of threats and surety of the peace before magistrates may be committed to jail in default of payment of costs, if the magistrate finds, upon hearing the evidence, that the complaint was not well founded and the complainant is in no danger as to person or property.

The preamble of the act sets forth that the practice of bringing unwarranted actions has become so common as to burden the commonwealth with unnecessary costs that the magistrates are enjoined to carefully hear the evidence and, if it be found that the complaint is without just grounds, the costs may be imposed upon either of the parties, or divided between them in any proportion that the magistrate may think just, and in the event that payment is refused, the delinquent may be committed,

#### Fatal Accident.

On Saturday, about 2 o'clock, as Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Mowers, near Germantown, Franklin county, were crossing the C. V. R. R. at Catherine street, Chambersburg, their wagon was struck by a train, and Mrs. Mowers almost instantly killed, and Mr. Mowers has since died. Both the old people were hard of hearing and did not hear the approaching train, which was running slowly. They were aged 65 and 78 years, respectively, and had been in Chambersburg selling produce which they had raised in their garden.

While Johnnie Magsam, the well known milkman, was driving eastward on West Walnut street about nine o'clock Tuesday evening in the darkness he noticed a man approach and lay a hand on the side of his wagon. The mysterious stranger walked along for a short distance, and as he was making some further demonstrations, Johnnie suddenly wheeled his horse around, when the stranger "took to his heels" and ran down the alley toward Main street. This is not the first time that Johnnie has been molested, and somebody will fool around him yet, until there will be a funeral.

Ray's Hill Lodge No. 776, I. O. O. F. dedicated their new building at Breezewood last Thursday with imposing ceremonies. The new hall is a two-story frame structure, 28x40 feet. On the first floor is a public hall and on the second floor is the lodge room 27x48 feet. It is finished in Georgian pine and is a very nice structure.

## VALUABLE RELIC.

Found Old Sheath Knife of 135 Years Ago.

Sherrard C. Unger, of Hancock while on Cacapon Mountain, about five miles west of Berkley Springs, a few days ago, made a most valuable find as well as an ancient discovery in finding a knife, which is supposed to have belonged to and lost by Lord Dutton, who, according to ancient history, passed through this section of the country on his march from Fort Richmond, (Richmond, Va.) to Fort Pitt, (now Pittsburg, Pa.) about 135 years ago. The knife has every indication of being a very rare and unique relic. The blade is about 4 inches long and a silver skeleton sheath or holster, lined inside with leather and the letters L. D. stamped on the outside of it. In the handle of the knife are concealed several articles such as were considered very handy and useful in those days. A corkscrew used to pull the stoppers from their canteens, a buttoner, used to button their leggings, a small lance, which was considered a household necessity in those times, a pair of scissors and a sewing needle, which being made of a piece of steel about three inches long, sharpened at one end and bent up straight at the other to hold the thread. It is claimed by several prominent people to be the oldest relic in the United States of its kind and Mr. Unger feels very proud of his find, having refused \$1500 already for it.

#### Fulton's State Road.

Yes, it is Fulton County's first State road, but Fulton County is not paying any part of the bill. The condition upon which the State is willing to put up three fourths of the money for good roads in a county is that the County shall pay one eighth, the township one eighth, and the State the balance. Our County Commissioners have been too smart to be fooled into anything that smacks of public improvement, and they have succeeded during the past in holding up every effort to get State roads into Fulton County. The "greenies" who serve as county commissioners in Franklin, Bedford, and all the other counties of the State have been going ahead, and helping to build every foot of State road possible; and our sister counties are proud of their new roads, and are clamoring for more. On the account of the stupidity of our officials, nearly seventy thousand dollars that was available for Fulton county roads, was given to our neighboring counties. According to scripture: To him that hath shall be given; but to him that hath not (brains) shall be taken away even that he hath.

As has been noted before in the News, Bethel township has shown her nerve by ignoring the aid of the County, and has joined hands with the State, and is busy at work with more than a hundred men constructing a road from the Maryland line south of George Chesnut's, up through Warfordsburg, and on to New Grenada, if the State's money holds out.

The same argument that is used by those who are opposed to taking any of the County's money to build a piece of State road in Wells township, because, perhaps the citizens of Union township might not have occasion to use it very often would apply with equal force against the County taking any money out of its treasury to build a bridge in Thompson township, because the taxpayers of Brush Creek Valley do their trading at Everett, and consequently would not get any benefit from it.

The store of J. W. McPherson and company, Shippensburg, was burglarized and about \$100 in cash secured by the robbers.

## ABOUT PEOPLE YOU KNOW

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

### NAMES OF VISITORS AND VISITED

Mrs. Carrie Miller, of Chambersburg, is a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Stevens this week.

R. F. Stottmeyer, of Hancock, is spending this week in the home of his daughter, Mrs. A. B. Wilkinson, of this place.

Miss Alice Hayes began work Monday morning as teacher of the Rindard school in Broadtop township, Bedford county.

Miss Bess Irwin has returned to Philadelphia for another year's work as teacher in one of the graded schools in that city.

Miss Ethel Hays began another year's work as teacher in the graded schools at Riddlesburg, Bedford county, last Monday morning.

Misses Goldie Mason and Joanna Morton have returned to Indiana State Normal school for another year's work as students in that institution.

El. McClure who is in business in Johnstown spent the past two weeks with his parents Mr. and Mrs. T. H. McClure in Licking Creek township.

Miss Jessie Mason has gone to Alexandria, Pa., where she will be engaged in teaching in the graded schools at that place during the ensuing school year.

Miss Ivy LaMaster, of Markes, Franklin county, who had been with her grandfather, Daniel E. Fore, Esq., for three weeks, returned to her home last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Lake, and Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Bumgarner—all of Belfast township, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Little, while in town last Saturday.

J. P. Garland, of Needmore, was a very pleasant caller at our office on Tuesday morning. He was accompanied by his little son Leonard, who is an unusually bright little fellow.

John Rex Irwin, of this place, has entered Perkiomen Seminary as a student. Rex is a graduate of the High School of this place, being a member of the Class of '09.

John Spangler went back to State College Tuesday for another year's work as student in that institution. John has two years to spend yet before he can carry off a sheepskin from that college.

Mrs. J. C. Comer, accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Roy Daniels—both of Thompson township, spent the time over Sunday in the home of the former's mother, Mrs. Sarah Pittman, of this place.

F. C. Hockensmith and wife, of Johnstown, spent the past two weeks with Mrs. Hockensmith's parents, T. H. McClure and wife. They were accompanied from Johnstown by Mr. McClure's daughter, Miss May, who had been spending some time in Johnstown.

W. R. Ranck and Mrs. Mary Gordon, of Warfordsburg, came to McConnellsburg last Friday and returned Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Gordon was here attending to business connected with the settlement of the estate of her deceased husband, Wm. P. Gordon, Esq.

Mrs. D. M. Kendall and Mrs. G. A. Harris spent the last four days of last week on a visit to Hancock, where they were guests in the home of the latter's parents, Geo. W. McKibbin and wife. And, it may be added here, that Mr. and Mrs. McKibbin left Hancock Monday for a trip to Fort Meade, S. Dak., to visit their son Vet. R. W. McKibbin and family.

Vet. McKibbin's wife is Minerva, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Kendall.