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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.

HARRY J. DALBEY.

Harry Joseph, oldest son of Dr. A. D. and Mrs. R. A. Dalbey was born in Philadelphia, Pa., April 6, 1885, and died at McConnellsburg, September 7, 1911, aged 26 years, 5 months and 1 day.

Harry was a well known boy about the Town and County, he having moved here with his parents when but a babe. He attended the schools in McConnellsburg up to the grade of the High School, when he entered the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy. Being troubled with congenital heart trouble, the confinement and study were too much for his physical constitution; and after a year and a half at College, he was compelled to give up his studies and return to McConnellsburg.

His home surroundings and the mountain climate renewed his strength, and he for a time seemed to recover from his old ailments; but the disease again asserted itself, and although all that medical skill could do, was done for him, yet at last the disease conquered and his death occurred on the above stated date. He was united in marriage on March 5, 1909 to Nellie Kuhn, to whom one child, a son, was born and both of whom are left to mourn his loss.

Besides his wife and babe the following also mourn his early death:—His parents, two brothers—William W. and Alvin J. Jr., and one sister Minnie A.

JOHN W. STRAIT.

At the age of 58 years, 8 months and 15 days, John W. Strait died at his home in Maryland, July 13, 1911. The deceased was a son of William and Martha Strait and was born and reared in Licking Creek township until he was 18 years of age, when he removed to Thompson township where he was married and afterward removed to Maryland, where he spent the remainder of his life. Besides his widow, he is survived by one daughter, one brother, and four sisters. Mr. Strait was a dutiful husband and kind father, and had the respect of a large circle of neighbors and acquaintances.

MARY ALICE RHODES.

Miss Mary Alice Rhodes, daughter of John Rhodes and his first wife Margaret Cooper, died at their home in Ayr township, Monday, September 11, 1911 aged 18 years 1 month and 28 days. The funeral services conducted by Rev. J. M. Diehl, of McConnellsburg, took place Tuesday afternoon and interment was made in Union cemetery. On account of being totally blind since she was five years of age, Alice was deprived of many of the pleasures of this life, but she possessed that gentle disposition that made her resigned to her unfortunate condition.

### Lost Horse.

Blaine Hertzler, who has the contract for carrying the mail between Burnt Cabins and McConnellsburg, had the misfortune to lose one of his best horses this week. There seemed to be some thing wrong with the horse Monday morning when Blaine left home, but the horse's condition seemed to improve after he got him out on the road. In the afternoon, it was with difficulty that Blaine got the horse home, and on Tuesday night the horse had to be killed. Lockjaw had developed. This is a serious loss to Mr. Hertzler, whose job pays little enough under the most favorable circumstances.

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## WERE MUCH PLEASED.

Rev. and Mrs. Fluke of Bethlehem Will Become Summer Residents of Fulton County.

Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Fluke returned to their home in Bethlehem, Pa., on Tuesday after having spent ten days in rest and recreation in McConnellsburg. Mr. Fluke is pastor of a Moravian church in his city, and preached a very able sermon to a large congregation in the Presbyterian church in this place last Sunday evening. So much pleased were they with McConnellsburg and its surroundings that Mr. Fluke purchased from Mr. W. S. Clevenger a tract of fifty-two acres of land lying on the eastern slope of the Meadowground mountain including the top of the mountain where the road crosses from the Backrun school house. It is Mr. Fluke's purpose to build a nice bungalow on this tract and thus have a permanent place to spend part of his summer vacations. While here they were entertained in the home of Mrs. Aaron Clevenger, and were much pleased.

### The Band is Grateful.

As advertised, the McConnellsburg Cornet Band held its festival on the Court House Park last Saturday evening. The only thing billed for the evening that did not materialize was the concert by the Williamson Band. The cause is not hard to give. On account of the excessive rainfall during the day, continuing well on toward evening, it was hardly expected that the boys from Williamson would appear. No excuse for them.

The weather having given some appearance of clearing, our boys hustled around, got things together, put up tables, made ice cream, gathered in their cakes, and put matters in shape for business. Even though the weather looked threatening toward evening the crowd that gathered was beyond the expectations of all. They not only came, but they bought and ate. They did so to such an extent that by 9 o'clock p. m., everything in the way of eatables was cleared from view.

The net proceeds of the occasion were \$69.96 which, considering everything, was very good. The Band wishes by this method to express its appreciation of the patronage by the people of the town and surrounding community. It also wishes to thank every person who contributed to the occasion either in the way of material, money, or help.

A better behaved crowd has seldom been in attendance at an occasion of this kind. Every person was courteous to every other person, and every person seemed to have a good time, especially the members of the Band.

The proceeds will be used to make a payment on the cost of erecting the new band room which the band now occupies. After this payment there will be a debt of about \$60.00 which will be erased later.

We desire to express our esteem for the kindness of the board of County Commissioners in granting permission to use the park.

Thanking you again for your most helpful support, we are Yours very gratefully,  
THE McCONNELLSBURG BAND.

### To Democratic Voters.

Jacob W. Mellott who has been canvassing the county for the Democratic nomination for Sheriff of Fulton County is now confined to his bed with typhoid fever, contracted while out canvassing and it may be several weeks before he can leave his room.

Mr. Mellott desires us to state to the voters that he may not be able to make any further canvass and is forced to be content to allow his candidacy to rest with the voters of Fulton county.

## THE BUFFALO MOTH.

Valuable Suggestions to Housekeepers Who Are Annoyed by this Destructive Carpet Pest.

A little insect commonly called the Carpet moth or Buffalo beetle is very destructive to carpets, but if watched, damage by it can easily be prevented.

A gentleman in the western part of Pennsylvania recently wrote to State Zoologist, H. A. Surface, of Harrisburg, stating that he had just moved into a house where they found specimens of a certain insect, which were enclosed with the letter. He asked for information concerning it, and the reply of Professor Surface was as follows:

"The specimen of insect sent from your house is the Buffalo moth, or, in other words, it is the larva of a beetle known as the 'Carpet beetle.' It feeds on various kinds of woolen goods, but especially on the nap of carpets. The best thing to do is to scrub the floors of your rooms with water containing five per cent. creolin. Then spray the edges of the carpets with an alcoholic solution of corrosive sublimate. Spray the carpets under furniture with this material, as it is there that the pests are generally most destructive. It is also desirable to use rugs instead of carpets, and take these out into the sun and air, and beat them occasionally.

However, if one does not care to go to the trouble of discarding their carpets for the sake of rugs, they can nevertheless easily control such pests. Watch and occasionally remove furniture to one side, and see if the carpets where the furniture rested are being damaged. If it is evident that the piling or woolen fibres are being eaten away, and especially if rows of bare threads are exposed anywhere in the carpet, this is evidence that this pest is at work.

The thing to do is to spread a wet towel over the carpet as it lies on the floor, and iron this with a very hot iron, in order to drive the scalding steam down through the carpets, and thus kill the pests."

### Aviation Meet in Harrisburg.

Those who have never seen an aviator "aviate" should not miss the opportunity afforded by the Patriot Publishing Company of Harrisburg of seeing hair raising stunts by some of the most skillful bird-men in the country in Harrisburg during the meet in that city of September 19, 20, and 21. Flights will be made every day, and on Wednesday the schools will be closed to enable the thousands of children of Harrisburg to witness the flights and they are promised four that afternoon.

Paul Peck, one of the two aviators scheduled to appear at the meet has a remarkable record for successful flying, and of managing his machine under trying circumstances. On one occasion at College Park, Md., his engine stopped dead at an altitude of 1,500 feet. Paul kept his head, gracefully glided earthward in wide sweeping spirals, and landed as safe and easily as though it had all been in the program.

### Abundance Of Pears.

The crop of pears in this county is unusually large this year, and the quality is exceptionally fine. We are informed that on the W. Scott Brant farm in Licking Creek township now tenanted by Ary Deshong there is a rather small pear tree from which eighteen bushels of pears were gathered last year, and the crop this year is estimated to be at least fifteen bushels. When the pears were shaken from this tree last year, they lay so thickly upon the ground that they were scooped up with a shovel like grain.

## FOUND GUILTY.

William Reed Convicted of Murder in the First Degree in Court at Chambersburg Last Week.

### SENTENCE DEFERRED FIFTEEN DAYS.

William Reed is 42 years of age and unmarried. He served 22 months in the U. S. army in the Philippines. After his return from the army he was employed at the shops in Waynesboro part of the time, and part of the time worked at the Mont Alto Forestry Academy.

Mrs. Sarah C. Mathna, a "grasswidow" with one child, was a domestic in the kitchen of the Mont Alto Forestry Academy.

About three years ago Reed and Mrs. Mathna became acquainted, that acquaintance soon ripened into closer friendship, and for a time they lived together as husband and wife. Tiring of this, Mrs. Mathna went back to the kitchen of the Forestry Academy, and William made it a point to call on Mrs. Mathna frequently. Last spring William became impressed with the thought that Sadie was not true to him, and that she perhaps had others on the string. He went away and got on a drunk that lasted a week or more, and then on the ninth of last May, secured a revolver, went to the kitchen where Mrs. Mathna was grinding coffee for breakfast, and after having exchanged a few words with her, fired three shots into her body, and then with the smoking revolver in his hand, left her writhing in the agonies of death on the kitchen floor, and went out and gave himself up into the hands of his uncle who was a constable.

From that day he has been in the jail at Chambersburg charged with the murder of Mrs. Mathna. Last week, he was tried in Court, and on Sunday evening, the jury returned a verdict of murder in the first degree. Sentence has been deferred for fifteen days, but it is very probable that he will be hanged.

### Hills Seem Higher.

Mr. and Mrs. John A. Hoke, of Watsela, Ill., are visiting in the family of Mr. Hoke's uncle, G. Newton Hoke on west Water street. Mr. Hoke is a son of the late Henry Hoke, who during the Civil War was proprietor of the Fulton House in this place, and at one time owned the Jared Pittman farm south of town. Mr. Hoke left McConnellsburg in 1864 and this is his first visit to his old home since that date. Among the many changes that have taken place since that time, none are more noticeable to Mr. Hoke than the apparent increase in the height of the hills and mountains. He was not a little surprised to find that there was any grade in the street running eastward from the Bridge at the west end of town. This modification of Mr. Hoke's recollection of the topography of the town and surroundings comes from the fact that he has lived on the prairies during the past 47 years. Mr. Hoke is now a retired farmer.

### Home on Furlough.

Dorsey L. Peck, son of John W. Peck, of McConnellsburg, is home on an eight-day furlough.

Mr. Peck entered the Navy in 1908, and is attached to the first class battleship Idaho, which, with the Maine, Mississippi and Missouri, form the Third Division of the Atlantic Squadron—the Missouri being the flagship.

During his apprenticeship Mr. Peck has visited France, England, and many distant parts of the United States. The entire fleet is expected to leave about January 1st, for Australia.

The sailor life and rigid discipline seems to agree with Dorsey, and he recommends the sea to any one seeking health.

## PURE FOOD CRUSADE PAYS.

Adulterators' Fines Defray All Expenses And Leave a Very Big Profit To The State.

The State Dairy and Food Department has received in fines and license fees this year \$108,785.41, more than \$28,000 more than the expenses of the department for the entire year. All of the money was turned over to the State Treasury.

During the past August the new milk law enacted by the last Legislature was put to the test in 251 cities and towns, reaching 52 counties. In 211 cities and towns there were violations of the law, and in 70 the milk and cream were absolutely up to standard, showing that there was vast need for a law establishing standards of milk and cream purity in the State. It was the experience of the department that many milk dealers scouted the new law when they heard of its existence and kept on adulterating their milk and cream until it was below the standard established by law, feeling certain that they would not be caught. Pure food agents were able to secure many samples from these violators without being suspected, and the first thing the men who watered their milk knew they were invited to a Magistrate's office to pay a fine of \$25. They paid up and went back to serving real milk and cream, for they don't know when the law is going to catch them again.

The milk fines under the new law aggregated \$8,406.04, and under the old law \$200. In all there were 336 dealers caught in the net, who paid fines. The total receipts in August ran up to \$10,644.57, the greatest month's work in the history of the department. Ice cream fines netted \$375 and fellows who sold watered and doctored sausages paid \$100. Adulterators of soda fountain drinks paid \$100.

### He Delivered The Goods.

The following is clipped from the Tyrone (Pa.) Herald of the 5th inst:

"Hon. Harry A. Thompson, past grand chancellor, Knights of Pythias, has received still another beautiful token of the high regard his Pythian brethren have for our hustling townsman. Some days ago Mr. Thompson received the very pleasant surprise by express and he was shocked, but very agreeably, on opening the huge box to find that it contained a handsome mahogany chest upon the lid of which was a gold plate with this inscription: 'Presented to Grand Chancellor Harry A. Thompson by Pythian friends at grand lodge session, Erie, Pa., August 17, 1911.' The lid was lifted and tastefully displayed therein was a complete set of solid silverware. This, in connection with the handsome leather chair, massive loving cup, etc., is surely evidence that Mr. Thompson delivered the goods while in office, and enjoys a wide circle of friends."

### Nice Fruit.

George W. Sipes brought us a nice specimen of the kind of apples he has on his new farm. Last spring he sold his farm in Licking Creek township and purchased the Clifton Sipes farm near Hustontown, where he now resides. He says they have lots of fruit and of splendid quality. The apple Mr. Sipes brought to this office, although not of the Pound variety, weighs a pound and is solid and good.

### On Vacation.

Rev. Clifford E. Hays, pastor of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, this place, leaves Monday, September 18, for a month's vacation at his home in Hagerstown, Md. Mr. Hays will return to McConnellsburg to hold his last services in town and at Big Cove Tannery, Sunday, October 30th.

### And Then Ed Smiled.

The time was Wednesday evening of last week. The place was in the vicinity of E. W. Swope's home near the foot of old Sideling Hill. The day's work of the farmers in the neighborhood had been completed, and the wearied toilers had gathered into their respective homes preparatory to another night's rest. The horses were in their stalls with no further thought than the selection from the rack of a tender mouthful of hay, and the cows were lying in the barnyard lazily chewing over the stomachful of grass they had hastily gathered during the day. From the adjoining woods the silence was broken only by the grating notes of the katydid as its long legs stretched backwards and forwards over its wings, or the distant hooting of the owl warned the chicks to gather more closely for self protection. About 1 o'clock Thursday morning there was an unusual commotion made by a bunch of enthusiastic coon hunters who had scented a fresh trail, and were fast emerging into the fastnesses of the mountain. This disturbance spoiled the slumbers of E. W. Swope, and as that gentleman had to make a trip to McConnellsburg with a load of telephone poles, he arose, fed his horses, and was on his way at an unusually early hour. The trip was an uneventful one, and early in the afternoon he turned his face homeward with an unaccountable premonition that something was about to happen; and as is usually the case, the thing to happen is so terrible that we become miserable in its anticipation. Ed's mind was relieved, however, when he reached home, and was greeted by the voice of a stranger whose language was not very intelligible, but as near as Ed could make it out, it said: "Hello dad! Mother and I thought we'd give you a little surprise. I am going to help you haul telephone poles, one of these days."

And then Ed smiled.

### Hopes to Live 120 Years.

Judge E. H. Sullivan, of Spokane, Wash., dean of the Spokane county superior court and exponent of the theory of violent muscular exercise as a check against the ravages of old age, declared at a meeting of the county bench and bar that he had solved the problem of how to grow young after passing the so called prime-of-life period. Four years ago when he started to develop the plan, he fixed his age limit at 100 years. Now he says he shall live 20 years longer, or 120 years.

Judge Sullivan is 61 years of age, but few men of 25 possess his activity and stamina. His body, arms and legs are as strong and supple as one would look for to an athlete in condition. One of his favorite tests is to touch the floor with his elbows without bending the knees. He pounds his body with bare hands several times a day, exercises care in food, sleep eight hours at night and does nothing to controvert the laws of nature.

### Children's Services.

The Children's Service held in the German Baptist Church on Pleasant Ridge last Sunday, and conducted by Rev. John Mellott, was interesting and much enjoyed by those present. The program consisted of twenty-seven recitations and four dialogues. In addition to this, interesting addresses were made by Dayton Shives, of Hancock, and by Mrs. J. J. Palmer, E. R. Mellott, and E. H. Bard.

Mrs. May Ranck, wife of W. H. Ranck of Hustontown who has been under the care of specialists for the treatment of cancer for the past four or five months in Richmond, Va., has returned home. Mrs. Ranck is much improved, but will be obliged to return again for further treatment.

## 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 Irene Snyder left Monday for a visit to Altoona, Williamsburg, and Huntingdon.

Wilson L. Nace, Cashier of the Fulton County Bank, spent last Friday in Carlisle on business.

Mrs. B. H. Miller (May Sheets) and little son Henry of Saxton, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Sheets, of this place.

Mrs. Ross Doyle and little son returned home last Wednesday evening after having spent a week very pleasantly visiting relatives in Bedford county.

Miss Minnie Dalbey, of Pittsburg, was called home last Thursday by the sudden death of her brother Harry, which occurred last Wednesday night.

Mr. Amos Stouteagle who is employed in one of Philadelphia's big drug stores is spending a few days with his father, Mr. John V. Stouteagle in this place.

Russel Nelson has gone to Pittsburg to enter upon his work as professor of Drawing, Vocal Music, and Gymnastics in Shady Side Academy in that city.

Wilmer Hays, John Taylor, and Russel Stevens left McConnellsburg Monday morning for Pennsylvania, where they will enter Perkiomen Seminary as students for a year's work.

Miss Jennie Kuhn, of Cincinnati, O., is spending some time among her former friends and acquaintances in the Cove. She was a pleasant caller at the News office Monday morning.

Miss Murnie Rummell returned home last Saturday after having had a very pleasant visit of four weeks among friends in Chambersburg, West Fairview, Harrisburg and Altoona.

Mrs. M. E. Dalbey and her daughter Mrs. O. H. Jackson, and the latter's little daughter Helen—all of Yeadon, Pa., are spending some time in the homes of Mrs. George W. Reiser and Dr. A. D. Dalbey.

Miss Elsie Dalbey, who has charge of the Music Department in the Soldiers' Orphans' Industrial School, Scotland, Pa., was here from Friday until Sunday on account of the funeral of her nephew, Harry J. Dalbey.

Charles D. Greathead, of Williamson, Franklin county, spent last Saturday evening and Sunday with his parents Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Greathead in this place. Charlie expects to locate in Philadelphia in a short time.

Mrs. Helen Schuitz, returned to her home in Philadelphia, last Saturday, after having spent a week visiting among her relatives here. She was accompanied home by her cousin, Mrs. Thomas Johnson, of west Water street.

Miss Minnie Woollet, of Wilkinsburg, niece of Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Woollet, of the Washington House, having been summoned here on account of the death of her cousin, Miss Mary Wilds, remained with her uncle and aunt during the balance of the week.

Russell H. Runyan, who had been employed during the past year in the Census Department in Washington, D. C., left his home in this place Monday morning for Pittsburg, where he will enter the Carnegie Technical School for a course in electrical engineering.

Mrs. S. F. Stiver of Bedford, accompanied by her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Wm H. Ayres, and her grandson Master Samuel F. Stiver, Jr.,—all of Bedford, spent several days during the past week, visiting in the homes of Mrs. Stiver's brothers, C. W. and B. W. Peck, in McConnellsburg.