

INTERESTING PARAGRAPHS

Local and General Interest, Gathered at Home or Clipped from our Exchanges.

CONDENSED FOR HURRIED READERS

T. K. Downes spent Monday in McConnellsburg.

Peter Morton and daughter Jean spent last Sunday at Needmore.

Dallas Brant, of Hiram, was a business visitor to McConnellsburg Tuesday.

Harvey Comerer and Mr. Miller, of Plum Run, spent last Wednesday in McConnellsburg.

Mrs. Amos Palmer, of Needmore, came to McConnellsburg last Sunday to spend sometime.

There will be preaching in the Big Cove Tannery Lutheran church next Sunday morning at 10:30.

Earl Truax, M. J. Hixson and Mr. A. Bard, all of Emmaville were McConnellsburg visitors Tuesday.

Mrs. Ira Forner and son Clifford, of Scotland, are spending this week in the home of her father, R. C. McQuade.

O. W. Plessinger, Ellis Plessinger, Walter R. Spade, and Emory Diehl—all of Whips Cove, made a trip to McConnellsburg in an automobile Tuesday.

Ex-County Treasurer and Mrs. A. Hess, and the latter's uncle Martin L. Truax—all of Needmore R. 2, made an automobile trip to the County Seat Tuesday.

There will be no preaching services in town next Sunday evening. In lieu thereof, a Union Service of all the Young People's societies in town will be held in the Presbyterian church.

Jack Cassett and James Farniger, cigar store men of Hagers-town, through their attorney Scott M. Wolfinger pleaded guilty to the charge of operating punchboards and each paid \$25 and costs.

George Keefer, of Webster Mills, returned from the Chambersburg Hospital Tuesday where he received treatment for ulcers of his eyes. He will continue to be treated by the physicians of the above named institution.

Mrs. Paul Shimer (Kitty Mentzer) was taken to the Chambersburg hospital last Friday and on Saturday afternoon submitted to surgical operation, which proved to be entirely satisfactory. Mrs. Shimer is expected to be able to return home the last of his week.

W. M. Lodge, of Saxton, came to McConnellsburg Monday evening and was accompanied home Tuesday by his wife and children, who had spent the last six weeks in the home of Mrs. Lodge's father, Albert Stoner. Mr. Stoner has been in rather poor health lately.

We had a letter a few days ago from our old friend James G. Kline asking us to change the address of his NEWS. He has been a resident of New Jersey or some time, but has moved back into the good old Keystone State, and now gets his mail at Easton, Pa., R. R. 5.

John T. Shipway, Joseph S. Morse, James Curren, and Mrs. David Smith—all of Inglesmith; Mrs. Asbury Wigfield, of Belle Grove, and M. M. Boor, of Ardenas, were in McConnellsburg Monday attending an audit before M. R. Shaffner, Esq., in the estate of John W. Potter, deceased.

Mr. Rubin Dead.

The elder Rubin, of the firm of Rubin & Rubin, eye specialists of Harrisburg, who had been making monthly professional visits to Seylar's drug store, died of pneumonia at his home in Harrisburg last week. Mr. Rubin was a pleasant gentleman, and the news of his death will be earned with regret by many Fulton County people who had some in contact with him professionally.

Farm for Sale or Rent.

This farm is under good state of cultivation, good buildings, and in good repair. Running water in house and barn. All kinds of fruit. Write or call on H. E. SPANGLER, Wells Tannery, Pa.

Boy Hurt.

Lawrence, fifteen-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Snyder, of Ted township, was over at Philip Rotz's last Sunday; and while at the barn jumped from the granary door and came in contact with a wagon, tearing the flesh of one of his legs in a very serious manner. Dr. Robinson gave the boy the necessary surgical attention, but he will be housed up for a time.

Educational Meeting.

The seventh local institute of Taylor township, held at Wintergreen School last Friday evening, was called to order by the teacher Thad Winegardner. The following questions were discussed by the teachers present:—1. Language; How Taught to all Grades 2. School room Sanitation and Decoration.

Teachers present were:—W. G. Wink, Eugene Chesnut, Earl Keebaugh, Alice Cutchall, Thad Winegardner, Howard Knepper and Ethel Sipes, of Taylor, Prof. H. P. Barton, John Kelso, and Etta Snyder of Dublin, and Rush Wagner of Todd.

The school room was tastefully decorated with evergreen, and the school rendered an excellent literary program, which speaks well for both teacher and pupils.

The next institute will be held at Hustontown Feb. 9th.—Ethel Sipes, Sec.

The ninth local institute of Ayr township was held at Cito last Friday evening.

The two questions; 1. Observation Lessons, and (2.) How do you keep primary pupils employed were well discussed.

Seven teachers were present: Misses McQuade, Pittman, Mellett, and Kendall, Messrs. Humbert, Keefer and Glazier.

The pupils rendered a well prepared literary programme which spoke well for teacher and pupils.—Martha Kendall, Sec.

Pennsylvania, Farming State.

While the whole world knows that Pennsylvania ranks with nations in its production of iron and that its steel works are the backbone of the American trade; that it mines almost half of the coal of the United States, and that its oil and ore, manufactured goods and lumber play a big part in the country's business, it has only been within the last year that the people of the Keystone State have become aware of the prominence of their Commonwealth as a food producer.

The Pennsylvania Railroad and some commercial organizations made praiseworthy efforts to obtain reliable statistics and to awaken interest in the agricultural enterprises of the State and in years gone by national and State campaigns to get first-hand information were undertaken. But it has only been within the last year that a State system has been evolved and put into operation.

This system has been worked out by the Bureau of Statistics of the State Department of Agriculture, and it was organized by our former townsman, L. H. Wible, Esq. It is from that office that the people of the State have come to know that Pennsylvania is seventh in the list of States in the value of its farm crops and that they run somewhere around a quarter of a billion dollars in worth that we know that our iron and steel and coal State is the second producer of hay in the country, and hay is worth a lot in real money these days; that this State is the second apple grower when it comes to value of the fruit, and that in the prices obtained for its wheat, potatoes and rye it was No. 3 in America last year.

We confess to a considerable amount of pride in our old Commonwealth as a farming State. We have written much, spoken much and thought much about our front rank in manufacturing, mining and metal making and have felt thrills when we considered our princely appropriations for encouragement of education and amelioration of ill.

Now we can expand our chests over our splendid place as a producer of food in the days when it is given the economists concern. The figures of the statistical bureau are a tonic and we hope the Legislature will do the right thing and help us to further advertise our farming products because we have got lots of land that we can put into cultivation.

GOVERNOR'S SALARY.

Proposition to Increase It from Ten Thousand to Twenty-five Thousand Dollars a Year.

The proposition to increase the salary of the Governor of Pennsylvania from \$10,000 to \$25,000 a year will be one of the things to consider during the present session of the legislature.

It is interesting to note that the bill fixing the present salary of the Governor at \$10,000 was passed in 1873 and was the only bill approved at that legislative session by Governor Geary, who went out of office on January 21, 1873, a few days after he had approved the salary raiser, and it was the only measure passed by the Legislature up to that time.

Of course the Constitution forbids the increase of a state official's salary while he is in office, and Geary was quick to approve the bill to benefit Hartranft, who succeeded him.

CURTIN PAID \$4,000 A YEAR.

Previous to the beginning of Governor Geary's term the salary was \$4,000 per annum, and Governor Curtin served two terms at that salary, and during Civil war times, when the cost of living is something considered with a shudder. In 1866, just before Curtin left office, the salary was raised to \$5,000, and Geary benefited.

The old soldier-statesman, however, saw how skimpily a Pennsylvania Governor could live on \$5,000 and entertain befittingly and it is said that he was the first to propose that his successors salary should be increased, approving the bill on the day it reached him.

Back in the early 50's the salary was \$3,000, and Governors Porter, Shunk and Johnston managed to struggle along on that—a salary that is now less than paid any department head. The increase to \$25,000 was in the mind of Governor Tener during the session of 1913, and but for the fact that the Legislature of that year was stuffed with cranks, fake reformers, and a lot of people who had been injected into the law-making body by the Progressive party upheaval, and were anxious to make a record for economy, Governor Tener would have recommended the increase in a special message, for he knew the struggle to make both ends meet on \$10,000 a year as an occupant of the Executive Mansion.

SLIM CHANCE TO SAVE

More than one Governor in the past has been quoted as saying that the Governor who expects to save anything out of a gubernatorial salary of even \$10,000 is going to be disappointed, and these same men have also been quoted as saying that it cost them more while in office than the salary amounted to.

Governor Pollock took a port position in Philadelphia under Lincoln after he left office and Governor Parker returned to his daily avocation in Williamsport. Governor Curtin left the Governor's chair with nothing to show in the way of saving from his salary but he was considered in Bellefonte as "well off" through former law practice. Governor Geary died within a few days after leaving the office, so that there is no history regarding his financial condition. Governor Hartranft left office with nothing and went into the employ of a big insurance company. Governor Hoyt returned to the practice of law, and it is said left no estate of substantial size.

NEW GRENADA.

Mrs. A. D. Keith, who had been sick all winter, is still confined to her bed.

Mrs. J. O. McClain, who has been confined to her room with a dose of Grippie, is better at this writing.

Russel Keith, wife, and daughter Helen, visited their parents John Fieks and wife.

Earl Shope, wife and three children, of Saitillo, visited F. S. Thomas' family last Sunday.

Miss Ruth Alloway of Broad-top City is employed at J. O. McClain's.

The funeral of Ralph Shore was largely attended.

Herman Griffith and wife, and Clyde Martin, wife and son of Trough Creek visited John Thomas' family last Sunday.

Olive Shaw visited her sister Mrs. Russel Swope at Wells Tannery last week.

Herman Ford is employed at Minersville.

January Honor Roll.

When it is considered that almost eight hundred persons either became new subscribers or renewed their subscription to the FULTON COUNTY NEWS during the month of December, and when it is considered that there were hundreds and hundreds of subscribers on the list who were paid ahead before December—for there was a nice sized Honor Roll every month during the entire year—the Roll for January is very satisfactory.

As was stated two weeks ago, subscriptions and renewals will be received to the NEWS at the old rate—one dollar a year, until the first day of March, when the price will be advanced as per our original announcement.

At a meeting of newspaper publishers and paper manufacturers in Chicago last week, the publishers agreed that the present high price of paper has placed the newspaper publishing business in a position so hazardous and menacing, that a remedy must be found without delay.

Throughout the country, newspapers are being forced out of business, or are doubling up (two or more going together) on account of the increased cost of production. Any one familiar with the history of Fulton County newspapers cannot but be impressed with the fact that they change hands rather frequently—the oldest paper in the County having had no fewer than fifteen owners during its existence of a little more than 66 years.

This fact alone is a strong argument in favor of increased revenue for all the papers.

With last Monday the price of Philadelphia papers was just doubled; more than nine hundred weekly papers in the Country have advanced the price of subscription—some of them making the yearly subscription price two dollars.

And there is nothing unreasonable about it. The wonder, to many people is, that it was not done months before. Sauer kraut has advanced. Last Saturday it sold in the local markets in Harrisburg at 15 cents a quart one year ago you could buy all you wanted at 5 cents a quart.

How's an editor to keep his family?

The Governor of Pennsylvania gets a salary of ten thousand dollars a year. He is having an awfully hard time to make ends meet, and a bill has been introduced into the legislature to give him a little lift—to make his salary twenty-five thousand—and parsonage free!

Whether it be "graft" or what not, on the first day of March the subscription price of the NEWS will be advanced. The Editor of the FULTON COUNTY NEWS has had twenty-two years experience in the newspaper business in Fulton County, and during that time owned the Fulton Democrat ten years. He should know what can and what cannot be done in establishing a price that will be equitable between publisher and subscriber.

Ninety-ninthly and lastly, every one who cares to stay with the Fulton County News, should keep his seat on the band wagon or get on if he is off. Subscribers in arrears have the privilege of paying up and paying ahead at the old rate—one dollar a year—until the first of March.

The Editor very well knew when he decided that the rate would have to be advanced that some of the people now taking the NEWS would pull out; but he knew just as well, that people who really preferred the NEWS to any other paper in the County would not fall down on a matter of half a dollar.

Aiken, Mrs. Cora 1 8 18

Alden, Mrs. E. G. 3 9 17

Barnhart, Russell 2 20 17

Berkstresser, Annie 10 10 17

Bell Telephone Co. 1 1 18

Benson, J. A. 8 16 18

Boor, M. M. 8 17 17

Brinkley, Mrs. J. D. 2 1 17

Clouser, A. 3 21 18

Cohick, John 6 23 19

Cowan, H. A. 1 1 17

Bethlehem's Bid on Shells for the United States Navy

To the American People: The Secretary of the Navy has awarded contracts amounting to over \$3,000,000 to a British bidder for 14 and 16-inch projectiles for the Navy because of very much lower prices offered by the English bidders.

We know nothing of the basis upon which the British bids were made, but the public is entitled to know the facts upon which we ourselves bid for this work.

Two years ago we took contracts to make 4,200 16-inch shells at a price of \$1,515,000. Up to now not a single shell has been accepted by the Government, although we have expended, in wages, materials, etc., on these orders \$522,061, and we have not received a SINGLE DOLLAR on these contracts.

In addition, a floral interpenetration of the contract might make us liable for penalties amounting to \$678,019.

In the light of our experience, and having no other basis, we bid for 16-inch shells approximately the same rate per pound as that which the Navy Department actually awarded a 14-inch shell contract one year ago.

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In Effect November 26, 1916. Subject to change without notice. Trains leave Hancock as follows:

No. 7-14 p. m. (daily) for Cumberland, Plattsburg and West, also Elkins, and West Virginia points. No. 8-3:30 a. m. (daily) for Hagerstown, Gettysburg, Harpersburg, York (except Sunday), and Baltimore. No. 1-8:30 a. m. (daily except Sunday) for Cumberland and intermediate points. No. 4-8:05 a. m. (daily except Sunday) for Hagerstown, Gettysburg, Harpersburg, York, Baltimore and intermediate points. No. 3-2:57 p. m. (daily) Western Express for Cumberland, West Virginia points, and Pittsburgh, Chicago and the West. No. 2-3:45 p. m. (daily) Express for Hagerstown, Waynesboro, Chambersburg, Baltimore, Washington, Philadelphia and New York.

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Edwards, Mary S. 8 1 18

Edwards, N. S. 1 10 18

Elias, Miss Lavinia 2 17 18

Evans, Geo. B. 1 2 19

Feagley, George 9 1 18

Fisher, J. P. 1 25 19

Fix, Oscar 7 1 17

Fost, H. C. 9 1 17

Fraker, H. I. 1 10 17

Giffin, Miss Lola 6 11 18

Hege, H. B. 1 10 18

Humbert, W. R. 2 1 18

Johnston, R. A. 8 24 17

Keebaugh, Mrs. W. M. 4 2 17

Kelso, Curtis A. 4 1 17

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