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CONSERVATION OF EDUCATION.

Little Talks on Health and Hygiene by Samuel G. Dixon, M. D., LL. D., Commissioner of Health.

The physical and mental strength of a student is rarely considered by the educator. The result of this is that we have a vast number of nervous wrecks, a burden to themselves and to the public because they are too weak, either physically or mentally, or both, to stand what is placed upon them by the teachers. Many of them, if strong enough physically, have not been born with sufficient gray matter ever to apply the higher education with which it is sought to equip them; should they live through the ordeal.

Teaching does not produce brain substance, but only arms the brain with tools for the struggle of modern achievement. Not only are children forced by teachers beyond their natural aptitude, but frequently to death.

Along the tracks of education there should be many stations where children could be discharged, fitted to fill situations consistent with what nature had intended them to perform. To accomplish this in public school education, the curriculum would have to be adjusted so as to round up certain degrees of education essential for them to pursue successfully some of the lesser positions in life.

The present system of having a continuous chain of study from the primary school to the high school leaves no link that is complete within itself to provide for many of the occupations which are humble but still indispensable to our existence in civilization.

Those sufficiently endowed with natural ability to make use of the higher education really represent a minority of our children. Those with weaker mentality, who are forced to keep up with those more richly endowed so that they may graduate from our high schools, are often rendered too proud to seek the more humble positions in life. Many of these who find themselves in that position become a burden to the public and often tumble into paths of dissipation.

Had Foot Crushed.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Ehalt and two little children returned to McConnellsburg last Friday after having spent some time in Jeanette, Pa., where Mr. Ehalt had employment in a rubber factory. Two weeks ago, a rubber tire had the core on which it was being made, total weight 250 pounds all three feet and landed on one of Mr. Ehalt's feet, crushing the member severely.

Creamery Re-Opened.

Last Monday, the McConnellsburg Co-operative Elgin Creamery Company re-opened their plant at the southern edge of the borough. An expert butter maker from State College has been secured to take charge of the manufacturing end of the business and instruct Clarence Jones, of McConnellsburg, in the art of butter making until he becomes proficient in the work.

Clevenger--Mellott.

At the home of the officiating minister, Rev. T. P. Garland at McConnellsburg on Friday of last week, Miss Clevenger son of Oliver Clevenger of Springville, Pa., was married to Miss Mellott, daughter of Daniel Clevenger of Union township.

Good Work.

Work was done on Lloyd Ray's land in Tod township last afternoon, but with the action of Firewarden Marr and willing neighbors, a fire was brought under control after having burned over three acres of ground.

Easy Picking.

Drivers of automobiles are separated from thousands of dollars every year—not entirely on account of ignorance of law, but more frequently on account of carelessness or deliberately "taking chances." An unusually large number of motorists were on the road last Sunday and officers in many towns gathered in fine quantities of shekels. D. A. Varden, of Mercersburg, was fined five dollars for having too much dust on his license tags; Otto R. John, of Chambersburg, paid a fine of \$25 and costs for speeding; another driver paid a fine for passing a trolley car that had stopped to discharge passengers; another, for an accident that happened while he was driving on the left hand side of the street; another for not being able to show his license card when it was demanded; another for not sounding his horn when approaching a street crossing.

Nearly all boroughs and cities (including McConnellsburg) have an ordinance against a speed of more than 15 miles an hour, and notices are posted. This regulation is violated every day, and the drivers may thank the laxity of the application of the law, that they do not pay fines more frequently than they do.

Your license card is apt to be in your "other suit" when it is wanted. A good plan is to have it tucked securely to the underside of the seat board, or elsewhere about your car, so that it will always be get-at-a-ble when wanted.

Don't run your car at night with the headlights in full glare when another car is approaching, unless you want to blind the other driver and see him dash into your car, or over the bank trying to escape you. Running your car at night through cities and most towns with your headlight on full, is likely to cost you a ten-spot.

If you drive a car, it will pay you to read the law once a week, and heed its provisions.

R. S. Patterson's Loss.

About six weeks ago, R. S. Patterson, formerly of McConnellsburg, but now of Concord, California, met with quite a financial loss on account of a fire which destroyed a manufacturing plant in which he was a stockholder and, also, an employee. Part of his letter follows: "The best block in the town of Concord, California, was burned. The Concord Wire Company, in which company I was a stockholder, and employed by the company, was burned. The Concord Inn, Concord Bank, postoffice, hardware store, pool room and barber shop, were all burned. I lost my position and will lose most of my investment in the company, as the insurance companies are trying to get out of paying the amount of policies."

Went to Gettysburg.

A motoring party consisting of three cars made a trip to Gettysburg last Saturday and spent several hours upon the famous battlefield. In the first car were Mr. and Mrs. Daniel B. McQuade their daughters Hazel and Florence, and Mrs. Nicholas Hohman; in the second, Mr. and Mrs. J. Wilson Souders and sons Don and Paul, and daughters Hazel and Olive; and in the third, Mr. Stanley Humbert and brothers Ormond and David, and sister Margaret.

Found Young Eagle

While fighting fire recently on Evert's mountain, Joseph F. Snyder, of Snake Spring township Bedford county found a young Eagle in its nest that measured 23 inches from tip to tip of its wings. In the nest with it was found a dead gray squirrel, a carrier pigeon, with a band on it, numbered 6077. The bird was taken to Everett and sold to Mr. Christopher, of Hopewell.

Gave Interesting Talk.

Those persons who were fortunate enough to be present at the services in the Presbyterian church in town last Sunday morning listened to a very interesting talk by Miss Amelia B. Klein. Miss Klein's home is in California, and on her way to attend a missionary convention in New York, she spent the time from Saturday until Monday morning as guest in the home of Misses Marion and Jessie Sloan, East Lincoln Way.

Miss Klein is a daughter of Rev. and Mrs. D. G. Klein, and she was born in the house now the home of John A. Irwin and family, opposite the City Hotel. Her mother was Maria Pott, daughter of the old ironmaster John Pott who owned and operated the Hanover Furnace south of Big Cove Tannery years ago.

Miss Amelia or "Millie" as she was familiarly known to her home friends, became a trained nurse in a Philadelphia hospital, and after the Spanish-American war—at the time of the Philippine Insurrection—she enlisted in the military service of the United States and was detailed to a hospital ship plying between Manila and San Francisco. After the close of the insurrection she was discharged from the service. The next ten years she spent in the Philippines as trained nurse in a Presbyterian hospital. She has made nine trips across the Pacific, and one around the World. Possessing a fine intellect, she has a mind well stored with valuable information, and is a very interesting conversationalist.

Club Had Good Time.

Last Monday evening, the Chautauqua Literary and Scientific Circle of McConnellsburg met in the home of Mrs. J. W. Mosser to celebrate the closing of a successful course of reading and study during the winter of 1916-7, the last regular meeting having been held in the home of Mrs. J. L. Grove, May 28th. After a heavy repast consisting of water and toothpicks had been consumed, lighter refreshments of coffee, cake and ice cream were served. An appropriate program of a social nature was rendered and enjoyed until nearly midnight.

Bicycle Accident.

Last Monday morning, Boyd Bivins, of Knobsville, rode his bicycle to McConnellsburg, intending to cross Lincoln Highway an pass on out South Second street. Coming down the hill past the post office he did not notice an auto that was going west until he reached the crossing between Trout's drug store and the Fulton County Bank—too late to stop his bike and he ran into the auto. The front fork of his wheel was badly bent but Boyd escaped injury as the auto was not moving rapidly.

Was Near Tornado.

A few days ago, we received a copy of the "Wichita Beacon," sent by our friend and subscriber, John Hohman, of Valley Center, Kansas, R. R. 3. The paper gave details of the ruin and death that followed in the wake of a tornado that recently swept across the prairies near him. In its travels, the "twister" was headed straight for Valley Center, but before reaching that town it bore to the right and this may be the reason why Mr. Hohman's name did not appear in the list of sufferers.

Smith--Crawford.

Albert Smith, near Robinsonville, Bedford county, and Miss Mary, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Levi Crawford, near Amaranth, this county were married on Tuesday of last week at Berkley Springs, W. Va. The bride and groom are worthy young people and have the best wishes of their numerous friends.

Safe Across the Atlantic.

Mrs. Sappington received a cablegram from her husband, Dr. William F. Sappington, a few days ago, stating that he had arrived safe at Liverpool, England.

Dr. and Mrs. Sappington resided at Webster Mills, this county a number of years where the Doctor had a large practice. In order to be in closer touch with his practice in the southern end of the County, he removed to Hancock some two years ago. Like many other physicians he responded to his Country's call for volunteers, and received his commission with orders to go to France, to serve during the war. It doesn't take much thought to realize what it means to have the three-thousand miles expanse of the Atlantic ocean between him and his good wife, and to leave the emoluments of a practice that it had taken years of hard work to build. Of course, he did nothing more than thousands of other physicians have done; but it should stimulate others to "do their bit."

If you should awaken some night and find that a band of bad men were on your premises with the intent of carrying away and destroying your property, would you sit supinely by and submit to their depredations, or would you defend your property and your wife and children to the last ounce of your strength?

It is only because an army of brave men are standing between your home and Germany that your property and family are being protected; and should the Germans be successful in overcoming the resistance, everything that we have would be swept from us.

Let those who cannot shoulder a musket and go to the front, be willing to lend the Government fifty dollars, a hundred dollars, a thousand dollars—all the money you can spare. The safest investment in the world and 3 1/2 percent interest. So, that in buying a Liberty Bond, you not only make the safest kind of an investment for yourself, but you are doing what you can to show your patriotism. Any postmaster or any banker can tell you just how to do it.

Nyce--Hoke.

Miss Katharine Hoke, daughter of William E. and Laura Spangler Hoke, of Montgomery county, Pa., was married at Collegeville, Pa., last Saturday afternoon to Mr. Wallace E. Nyce of Philadelphia. After the ceremony, the happy couple started away on a motoring trip to spend their honeymoon, and arrived at the home of the bride's uncles and aunts, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Runyan and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Henry, in McConnellsburg, where they remained until this morning, when they left for Wells Valley to visit their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. Spangler; thence they expect to visit other points of interest. After their return they will be at home to their friends at 3941 North Delhi St., Philadelphia.

Concert on the Mountain.

The Queen City Band, Chambersburg's excellent musical organization, is contemplating the giving of a sacred concert at Turcarora Heights on the dividing line between Fulton and Franklin counties along the Lincoln Highway. This would no doubt attract hundreds of automobile parties. The purpose is to hold it some Sunday afternoon when the weather gets warmer.

Miss Blanche Smith, Warfordsburg R R 1, spent last week in Bedford county attending to interests connected with the discharge of duties connected with her work as Missionary Superintendent of the Southern Pennsylvania conference of the Christian Church.

Raiding Gardens.

Some people look at garden products as almost common property. The host of people who are putting hard labor into garden this spring are beginning to ask just how safe their products are going to be in the dark of the moon by and by, when vegetables and fruits are matured.

In the outskirts of the larger towns there always seem to be people who know the location of all the promising crops, and who can do a very good stroke of business on a dark night with capacious bags. Some of them go in automobiles too, indicating that they are not always people on the hunger fringe of life. Their point of view is, that the owner of a good big field of potatoes will never miss a few pecks.

Raids by boys on fruit trees are often condoned by people of high respectability. When a man comes back after a successful life to receive honors in his home town, he is apt to brag about the apples and pears he stole at the tough kid of the neighborhood. And he is applauded for it too. But the boy who makes free with grapes and plums may later conclude that the owner of the cash drawer will never miss some of his shiny coins.

In former years fruit and vegetables were so abundant that they were given away. Great quantities of them rotted on the ground. The prices were so low that it did not pay to hire labor to pick them up. Under these conditions it was perfectly natural that they were looked at in a different light from ordinary forms of property.

Food supplies are now short, labor scarce, and every garden now being planted will represent effort and some money. Raiding it will be just like rifling a cash drawer. One result of the school garden movement has been to change the feeling of children about stealing fruit. After they have put labor and pains into their little tract they get the point of view of the owner. The many people who are gardening this year will demand protection and they are entitled to it.

Family Reunion.

Wednesday of last week was a happy day in the life of Mrs. Maria Palmer, near Needmore, this county. Her children, not an exception to those of many other families, have all married, and part of them are located in different cities. The coming of Mrs. J. W. Lake (Mattie), from her home in Illinois, was the signal for the other children to return, and at dinner on the day above named, Mother Palmer had the pleasure of being seated at the table surrounded by all her children and part of her grandchildren, namely, Mrs. Harriet Dixon and daughter Mabel (Mrs. John P. Glass) and Mabel's children—Harriet and Robert—all of Chambersburg; Mrs. Frances P. Hart and son Floyd and daughter Esta—all of Needmore; Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Mellott (Margaret) Needmore R R 1; Mrs. J. W. Lake (Mattie) and son Newton, of Kansas, Ill.; Mr. and Mrs. B. Newton Palmer Portage, Pa., and Dr. and Mrs. J. J. Palmer and son Paul, Needmore, R. R. 1.

A Smash-up.

Last Friday morning when Brice Hann started with the 7:30 mail to Mercersburg, he could not control the horse by reason of the lines having caught under the end of the singletree. The animal turned west at Trout's drug store and a front wheel caught the lamp post and upset the wagon. Brice and the mail landed in a puddle of mud and the horse took one shaft and the singletree and made a tour of the western streets and alleys of the town. All damage was less than witnesses expected to find.

A Big Year for Women.

From the Boston Transcript.

This is beginning to look like a big year for the women folks. As John marches off to war, Mary steps into his job; and while that is all very fine in an emergency like this, what is John going to do about it when he comes back and finds Mary firmly established at his desk? That is a question for the future that must be met in England; and consideration of it need not at this time cause either concern or anxiety. One thing at a time; that is the demand of the hour. And since John must go, Mary must remain behind to keep the wheels of commerce humming. There are plenty of indications that she will do it with enthusiasm, and if she proves her worth in fields of activity heretofore closed to her, Johnny will have to find something else to do when he comes marching home again, hurrah! Undoubtedly he will stay onward and upward, for when this war is over the whole world will need rehabilitation and rebuilding, and there will be plenty of work for every pair of hands. With Boston society girls going into the navy as radio operators, and Boston women taking tickets on our street cars, the economic upheaval may be said to have begun. There is no reason why a society girl shouldn't send wireless, while feminine conductors are assured of success, for they have long been passing fair. Collecting nickels will come to them naturally—with many women it is a gift. They should bring a refining influence to our popular vehicle of transportation, and cause a general sprucing up among masculine passengers all along the line. As for the girls, the door of opportunity is opening at their touch. The old order will change—but the new, no doubt, will be far better.

May Honor Roll.

Bender, M. M.	5 8 17
Brant, A. S.	5 14 17
Clarke, Lewis	5 20 18
Corbin, Mary E.	5 15 18
Deshong, C. L.	7 2 18
Everts, Jacob	1 2 18
Everts, Dennis	5 23 18
Galbraith, John	11 8 17
Garland, D. S.	5 8 18
Gress, George	5 25 18
Gress, D. B.	5 22 18
Hann, Eli	4 9 18
Hoop, J. D.	5 8 18
Hoover, Clarence	5 23 18
Lake, Abner M.	5 15 17
Little, P. T.	5 15 18
Long, Howard	4 1 18
Martin, J. M.	5 15 17
McGowan, Dallas	5 28 17
Mellott, J. H.	2 1 18
Mellott, J. O.	5 8 18
Morton, David	5 18 17
Newman, Charles	5 5 18
Paylor, Bruce	5 10 18
Pittman, Shade	5 8 17
Sealar, Walter	4 15 18
Sipes, Abner	5 25 17
Sprowl, W. L.	8 20 17
Stevens, Geo. E.	4 1 17
Trittle, J. Walter	7 13 17
Truax, Samuel	5 29 18
Vallance, Zack	11 1 17
Waters, P. J.	8 9 17
Wilson, Mrs. Alice	6 5 17
Wright, Theodore	5 8 18

New Bridges in Fulton.

Among the permits issued last week by the State water supply commission, were two for Fulton county as follows: Concrete arch bridge over Tonoloway creek at Daniels fording, Bethel township, and a bridge across a branch of Brush creek, in Brush Creek valley.

Cyrus C. Gelwicks.

Cyrus C. Gelwicks, one of the organizers of the St. Thomas Bank and for several years its president, died at his home in St. Thomas Monday morning at 9:30 o'clock. His illness dated back over a long period and much of that time he was a constant sufferer.

ABOUT PEOPLE YOU KNOW.

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

Adam Grissinger spent two days in Franklin county last week.

Mrs. E. R. McClain came home last Friday after having spent four weeks in Philadelphia.

T. K. Downs, Esq., of Belfast township, was an early morning visitor on our streets last Tuesday.

Miss Rose Fisher, of Chambersburg was a guest last Sunday in the home of her uncle and aunt Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Woollet.

George Layton, near Locust Grove, was in town on business last Friday and this office acknowledges a pleasant call from him.

Edward D. Shimer, employed in the State Insurance Department, at Harrisburg, spent the week-end at home in McConnellsburg.

Monday morning, Mrs. Hammond Prosser, (Pearl Logue) who is visiting in McConnellsburg, went to Philadelphia to remain a week.

C. D. Hixson came home from Akersville to see his son Herman C., graduate last week. Frank Jackson, of Akersville, came with him.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Houpt, and children, of Mercersburg, spent a few hours Monday in the home of the latter's father, R. C. McQuade in the East Extension.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Sipes, of Franklin county attended the graduating exercises of the High School Class of which their daughter Anna Mary was a member.

Lloyd Andrews, of McKnightstown, Pa., and Alvin Sheets, of Franklin county, were among those from a distance who attended High School Commencement at McConnellsburg last week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Spangler were looking for a house in McConnellsburg in which to make temporary stay until their new house is completed. Hope they will be successful.

Mrs. C. P. Trittle and son Edgar and daughter Miss Ursula motored over to Cumberland County last Friday and spent the time until Saturday evening in the home of Mrs. J. J. Conrad and family.

Chas. W. Mellott and wife of Belfast, were in McConnellsburg last Saturday to meet Mrs. John Yeager, of Chambersburg, who came to visit her mother Mrs. J. W. Deshong, and other relatives in Belfast township.

Charles W. Mellott and wife, of Belfast drove their new Buick to Hollidaysburg last week and called on Charles' two sisters, Mrs. Wm. Greenawalt and Mrs. Ralph Laidig. Ralph and wife and son Harold accompanied them home.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. McCandlish and daughter Sarah and son Robert, Jr., accompanied by Mrs. W. F. Sappington—all of Hancock, motored to McConnellsburg last Sunday and spent the afternoon in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson L. Nace.

Mrs. Raymond Paylor (Maude Rinedollar) and son Robert, and Mrs. Paylor's mother Mrs. D. L. Rinedollar, went to Everett last Saturday and spent the time until Monday in the home of W. Scott Rinedollar, when Mrs. Rinedollar returned home and Mrs. Paylor is remaining until the last of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Linn, of Madsensville, Huntingdon County motored to McConnellsburg on Thursday of last week and spent the day in the home of their son J. W. Linn, proprietor of the Central Garage. Notwithstanding the fact that "J. o'clock. His illness dated back over a long period and much of that time he was a constant sufferer."