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## RECORD OF DEATHS.

### Short Sketches of the Lives of Persons Who Have Recently Passed Away.

#### MRS. THOMAS H. McCLURE.

Elizabeth, wife of Thomas H. McClure, died at their home in Chambersburg, Friday evening, October 3, 1917 in her 65th year. Funeral services at the house on the following Monday morning conducted by her pastor, Rev. G. A. McAlister, D. D., of the Presbyterian Church, after which her remains were taken to Union Cemetery in Ayr township for interment.

Twenty-six years ago, Mr. and Mrs. McClure exchanged their farm in Kansas for one in this county and became residents of Licking Creek township. About four years ago, they removed to Chambersburg. Besides her husband, Mrs. McClure is survived by the following children: Maggie, wife of Nevin Laidig, Jeannette, Pa.; Edna, wife of Frank Hockensmith, Johnstown, Pa.; Zella, widow of Baldwin Fraker, now at her father's home in Chambersburg; Robert L., residing at the Mountain House on Rays Hill; Maye, wife of Floyd Daniels, near Harrisonville, and Leroy at home.

#### MRS. CHARLES W. LYNCH.

Mrs. Frances W. Lynch, wife of Mr. Charles W. Lynch, died at the family residence at Riverside at 5:30 a. m., on Thursday, October 4, 1917, aged 55 years, 1 month and 1 day. She was a daughter of Mrs. and Mary Winck and was born near Gapsville, this county. Twenty-two years ago last August she was united in marriage with Charles W. Lynch and to this union seven children were born, one of whom, Miss Mary, preceded her mother to the spirit world. The husband and the following children survive, namely: Gorman, at Camp Lee, Virginia, Mamie, Enos, Gaylon, Grace and Katharine. One brother, Irwin Winck, of Gapsville, and one sister, Mrs. Estella Kauffman, of Pottersville, Massachusetts, also survive. Deceased was a member of the Christian Church and was held in high esteem by all who knew her.

Funeral services were held Sunday morning at 9 o'clock at Union Memorial church.—Everett Republican.

#### MRS. ANNA RAY.

Mrs. Anna Fix Ray died at her home in Belfast township on Tuesday, September 18, 1917, aged about ninety years. The funeral took place on the Thursday following and her remains were laid to rest in the cemetery at the Methodist church in Buck Valley. She spent her early life in the vicinity of McConnellsburg. After the Civil War, she and her husband moved to Canton, O.

After having lived there several years, they moved back to Buck Valley. Mrs. Ray has made several trips back to Canton since coming to Buck Valley.

Mrs. Ray is survived by three daughters and three sons, namely, Mrs. Mary Elizabeth King and Mrs. Rebecca Fix—both in Canton, O.; Mrs. Sadie Beatty, of Union township; William and John, in Union township, and John, in Bethel township.

#### CHRISTOPHER BARD.

Christopher Bard died at the Pennsylvania Hospital in Harrisburg October 5, 1917, aged 70 years. The deceased was a native of Belfast township, this county, and he was taken to the hospital thirty-two years ago. During a great part of the time spent in the care of that institution he was able to follow his trade as carpenter and he did much work on the buildings on the hospital grounds. The immediate cause of his death was bowel trouble. The body was brought to McConnellsburg last Saturday by undertaker H. S. Daniels. Next day interment

## A Pleasant Caller.

The Editor was delighted last Sunday evening with a call from his old-time friend Dr. A. M. Barton, of Homestead, Pa. Dr. and Mrs. Barton, and his nephew Charles Barton, wife and child, of Pittsburgh, had left home after dinner, swung around in Charlie's car by way of Uniontown, Cumberland, Hagerstown and Chambersburg, reaching McConnellsburg Sunday evening, where they spent the night at Hotel Harris, and returned home Monday. Dr. Barton is a native of Brush Creek Valley, attended County Superintendent Hiram Winters' Summer normal school at McConnellsburg, taught the first school at Buchanan school house and boarded at Bartley Laytons, the following winter taught at Akersville, later read medicine, and for many years has been one of the leading physicians in Homestead. His nephew, Charlie Barton with whom he was traveling, is a son of his half-brother Henry, and Kate Gregory Barton, both of whom have been dead several years. While the Doctor has been away from Fulton County for thirty-five years he is familiar with the history of the Barton family from the time George Barton, Sr., and his sons Elijah and Noah came to Brush Creek Valley in the second year of Washington's administration on down to the present time.

## Why Should We Worry?

The Fulton County farmers may have hayseeds in their hair, and the editors, moss on their backs, but from present indications, nobody in the old county is likely to go to bed hungry during the coming winter. The principal articles of diet to the average Fulton County citizen during the winter months are pork, buckwheat cakes and honey. The corn crop this season is exceptionally fine, and it does not take any more weeks for a pig to develop into a 250-pound porker, than "before de wah." Bees have never done so well as this summer, and honey is abundant. A farmer, not a dozen miles from McConnellsburg, went out into the "woods" a few nights ago and cut a bee-tree that yielded him ninety pounds of prime honey. The acreage planted to buckwheat was unusually large, and the following indicates something of the yield: Joseph E. Mellott, whose farm is on Timber Ridge, about two miles north, of the Cross-roads school house, threshed from five acres, a crop of 158 bushels. From 29 acres on the Bennett A. Truax farm (the old George Morton farm) in Belfast township, 355 bushels were threshed. O, man! Buckwheat cakes and sausage for breakfast, buckwheat cakes and honey for dinner, and mush and milk for supper. Wow! Wow!

Miss Rose Fisher has recovered from an operation at the Chambersburg hospital four weeks ago for the removal of her tonsils and she returned to Chambersburg yesterday to resume her duties in Attorney M. Z. Minehart's offices.

was made at the Pleasant Ridge Brethren church. Three brothers and two sisters are living, namely, John, Michael and Lewis—all in the vicinity of Needmore. The sisters are Mrs. Henry Truax and Mrs. Sheridan Hann. The deceased was not married.

#### RHODA MANN.

Rhoda, daughter of David Mann, died at the home of Samuel Weise in Bethel township Sunday, September 23, 1917, aged 6 years and 7 months. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. T. P. Garland on Monday evening an interment was made in the cemetery at Mayes Chapel. She is survived by her parents and one brother. The father who is a volunteer in the army was not present at the funeral.

## AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT.

### Ten-year-old Son of John Hoopengardner Killed Instantly When Car Ran Into Woods.

A distressing automobile accident occurred last Saturday evening on the road leading from Amaranth to McKees Gap, Union township. Elmer Smith and wife, and son aged about nine years, accompanied by John Hoopengardner and wife and son aged about ten years, were traveling in a Ford car. It was after dark and they were depending on one side lamp and a flash light. In some way the car left the road and dashed into the woods. A protruding limb struck the Hoopengardner family, who were sitting on the right hand side of the car, killing the son instantly, breaking Mrs. Hoopengardner's jaw, and severely cutting her head. Mr. Hoopengardner, who was sitting on the front seat, was also severely cut and bruised.

Both families are residents of Union township, near Amaranth. The funeral of the Hoopengardner boy took place Monday afternoon and interment was made in the cemetery at the Buck Valley M. E. church.

## Soldier's Address.

Last Saturday, Mrs. Robert Mellott, of Big Cove Tannery, called at the NEWS office to have published the correct address of her son Stanley Quay who is now with Uncle Sam's forces and will eventually take part in the suppression of the Prussian outrage, against civilization. The friends of all Fulton county soldiers are requested to send or bring us the addresses of the boys who have been selected to enter training camps, because former companions who remain at home wish to send letters, books, and many little personal comforts that help greatly to make camp life pleasant.

Stanley Quay Mellott's address is Camp Lee, Petersburg, Va., Co. F, 305th Reg. Engineers.

## Pleasing Concert.

As was announced in the NEWS two weeks ago, the Needmore Band came to McConnellsburg last Friday and did their "bit" toward giving the soldier boys an appropriate "send-off."

In the evening from the upper porch of the Harris House, they gave a concert of more than ordinary merit to a large gathering of citizens who, expressed their appreciation by generous applause. The leader, Prof. Wagner, of Hancock, is not only a band-master but a past-master in the art of training musicians.

This was not McConnellsburg's first opportunity of hearing Mrs. Richey, and her solos last Friday evening were in keeping with her splendid reputation as a soloist.

## Bivens--Foor.

A quiet wedding ceremony was performed at the Harris House in McConnellsburg last Saturday morning at eleven o'clock, when Mr. John Bivens, of Wells Valley, and Miss Bessie Foor, of Bedford county, were united in marriage by Rev. Edward Jackson, of McConnellsburg.

The bride and groom were accompanied by the latter's parents Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Bivens, and Mr. Ellis Sprowl—all of Wells Valley.

## Car Upset.

Jacob Hann, Carl Garland, Vernon Mellott, Lee Truax and David Hann—all living in the vicinity of Needmore, had the misfortune to upset their car last Saturday evening on their return trip from Hancock. Lee Truax received a cut on his head that required twelve stitches to close and Carl Garland was badly bruised about his body. The others were roughly shaken and the car was badly damaged.

## THIRD CONTRIBUTION.

### Fulton County Sent Fifteen More of Her Boys to Camp Lee Last Friday Afternoon.

Of the seventy-four men allotted as Fulton County's apportionment to the draft, fifty-three have now responded. Four weeks ago last Friday, we sent four; two weeks later, twenty-nine, and last Friday, fifteen. The names of the men sent last week are Russell Stevens, Charles E. Barment, Robert Bonner Regi, Harry H. Cromer, Jos. B. Schooley, Alonzo Funk, Gias. H. Heeter, John B. Everts, Wm. G. Polk, Herbert F. Cooper, John E. Wickfield, Reuben C. Hang, Marshall Sigel, Wm. Van Kirk, and Wm. R. Ritz.

At 1 o'clock last Friday afternoon, the boys with near relatives and hundreds of other friends assembled at the Court House—the boys to get their final instructions and the friends to give them a royal send-off. On account of the chill in the atmosphere, the doors of the big Court Room were thrown open and soon every available space was filled. The boys under the leadership of Russell Stevens who had been appointed Captain by the local board and would have charge of the men until turned over to the proper officers at Camp Lee filed in, and took their places on chairs reserved "inside the rail."

It being the day for the Pietro Mordeia Company to appear at the Chautauqua, they very kindly came to the Court House, and Pietro with his wonderful piano-accordion and Miss Buck the famous violin artist, entertained the audience most royally.

The time came all too soon for the boys to take their leave so they might be at Fort Loudon for the 3:13 train, and filling out they boarded automobiles in waiting to take them away.

Amid the clanging of the bells the long line of automobiles was preceded down the hill from the Court House by the Boy Scouts and Campfire Girls all in full uniform, the sidewalks being crowded by spectators. The lane on Lincoln Way between Second Street and First Street, was fringed by these organizations. It was a grand sight, and as one of the older citizens remarked, "This is the greatest day McConnellsburg has ever seen."

But just then there was an undue commotion, and a breathless stillness came over the crowd as the word passed excitedly, "A child has been run over!" This was soon found to be only too true.

Since the death of his mother some five years ago, little Bobbie Cunningham had the tenderest care of loving grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Irwin. The little fellow was standing on the sidewalk in front of his grandfather's store, when he espied his aunt on the other side of the street, and darted forward toward her, only to be caught by an automobile driven by Peter Morton, Jr. The bruised unconscious form of the little fellow was picked up and tenderly carried into the house, skilled surgeons and nurses called, but the injury was too great. He passed away on the evening of the next day.

The funeral was private, and he was placed in Union cemetery in a grave beside that of his mother, on the following Monday afternoon.

Bobbie was a son of Robert and Bess Irwin Cunningham, the father now a resident of Hoboken, N. J.

## Loaded Safe in England.

Hon. and Mrs. Peter Morton received a cablegram last Saturday evening from their son Newton stating that he had arrived safe in the southern part of England. Newton is with the Forestry Engineer Corps.

## THE CHAUTAUQUA FESTIVAL.

### Held Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Our Third Year. Splendid Entertainments. Next Year's Assured.

With the exception of the lectures and entertainments given each year at the County Institute our people have no opportunity of hearing any of the first class lectures and entertainments without making a trip to Chambersburg, Harrisburg or Philadelphia. In the latter case, the expense attending the trip to one of these places exceeds the cost of admission to the show, even when it is 50, 75 cents and a dollar or more, single admission.

To provide for the bringing of first-class entertainers and lecturers within the reach of everybody at a nominal cost, the Pennsylvania Chautauqua Association, of Swarthmore, Pa., was incorporated, by philanthropic men whose only thought was the providing of elevating entertainment and instruction for the masses. The corporation is non-dividend paying; that is, if there is a surplus in the treasury at the close of this year after the payment of legitimate expenses, it is used to provide a higher grade of talent for next year. Hence, every community that supports a Chautauqua festival, gets just exactly what it pays for.

Before the Association will agree to give McConnellsburg a three days' course, it must have the guarantee backed by responsible citizens, that it shall receive \$240.00 in cash at the opening of the festival. Then, in addition, the guarantors must arrange for the payment of \$35 rent for the auditorium, janitor service, etc. This makes a total of \$275.00. To raise this money, the Association furnishes the guarantors with \$275 worth of season tickets which they sell at \$1.25 each. In case the guarantors fail to market the \$275 worth of tickets, they go down into their clothes and make good the shortage. To show that the Chautauqua is growing in popularity, it may be stated that the season just closed is the first time that the guarantors have come out whole.

When it is considered that for the \$1.25 the holder is entitled to a reserved seat in the auditorium for the entire twelve entertainments and lectures, at a cost of a little more than ten cents each, it is little wonder that people are so eager to secure tickets in time, and that the auditorium is always crowded. Persons who do not buy a season ticket pay 35 cents for the afternoon, and 50 cents admission for the evenings.

The auditorium seats a few more than four hundred persons, and already 134 seasons tickets for the season of 1918 have been applied for. Buy a season ticket. If you attend only the night sessions you are in a quarter; and if you do not attend all the night sessions, you should have no trouble selling your ticket to some one who does not have a season ticket.

## 5th Birthday.

On Thursday, September 27, 1917, William Sigel, Sr., of Buck Valley, was pleasantly surprised in the receiving of about 190 birthday cards from as many friends. The occasion was his 5th birthday. He is in the enjoyment of excellent health for a man of his years. Mrs. Sigel is 83 years of age, and both she and her husband do the ordinary work about their home just as they used to. They are among the oldest residents of this county. Mr. Sigel feels very grateful to the friends who were so thoughtful of his pleasure on his birthday.

## Chamberlain--Mellott.

On Thursday, September 27, 1917, at the home of the groom, Mr. Samuel Chamberlain and Miss Aida Mellott were married by Justice W. H. Baumgardner.

## Buck Valley Boy.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Richards and son Joe, of Washington, D. C., and their brother-in-law and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Owens of Russellville, Ark., spent last Saturday night at Hotel Harris. The party was out in a big car to catch the autumn breezes, and they had driven from Washington to Cumberland on the National Pike; thence across the country to Bedford and east on the Lincoln Highway. They left here for Washington Sunday morning.

Mr. Richards is a Fulton County boy that has won wealth and distinction. His father (Hon. John T. Richards) felt that because he happened to live in Buck Valley where the facilities for education were meager (as they were fifty years ago) it was no reason why his children should not have an education, and he made it possible for Albert to graduate from Lafayette College before arriving at the age of twenty-one. During the years that have followed, Mr. Richards went West read and practiced law; owned and published not fewer than thirteen newspapers at different times; he was known as a political boss in Kansas, was assistant attorney general of the United States, fell into the oil business and, up to this time, he has drilled 156 wells, and they were not all dry holes, either.

## Letters from Camp.

Cards from Dwight Sipes and Ralph Linsinger to friends in McConnellsburg state that the boys who left last Friday arrived safe at Camp Lee.

A letter from Walter Shimer, who is in camp at Chattanooga, gives an account of the "sham trench fighting" drills the boys are undergoing to "harden" them for the real thing in France. Walter had been quite ill, but he has fully recovered.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Hays received word a few days ago from their son Wilmer stating that he had been transferred from a camp near Denver, Colo., to the Pacific coast in California. Wilmer is a member of a cavalry company known as the Rocky Mountain Rangers.

## Sergeant--Watkins.

A quiet little wedding took place at the home of J. S. Mort, Esq., near Clear Ridge, Saturday, October 6, 1917, when John Sergeant and Gertrude Watkins of Coal, Huntingdon County, were united in marriage by Justice J. S. Mort. The groom, who is a coal miner, was born in France and came to America with his father when quite a lad. After remaining here a year, his father returned to France and John has been here since, not having any near relatives in this country. The bride is a daughter of Thomas and Ella Watkins, near Coal. The happy couple have the best wishes of their friends for a long, happy and prosperous life.

## Had Appendicitis.

Margaret Wright, aged 12 years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Wright, of Taylor township, became suddenly very ill on Monday morning of last week vomiting almost constantly.

Dr. R. B. Campbell, of Mount Union was summoned by phone, and after a thorough examination, pronounced it a very serious case of appendicitis. Margaret was at once taken to Roaring Spring hospital, accompanied by Dr. Campbell, and her parents, where she was operated upon. Latest report says she is getting along excellently.

Last Monday Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Spangler began removing their household goods from Hancock to their new house at the north end of North Second street in McConnellsburg and they expect to be "settled" by the end of this week. Welcome back to our village nestled in the mountains.

## A CAUTION TO WAR KNITTERS.

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

The thousands of women and girls one sees nowadays working with their needles on socks and stockings for the soldiers are doing a patriotic and necessary service, but some of them are doing it wrong. The question of foot covering in extreme winter weather has always been a vexed one with our people. Most of them have seemed to think that if you wore socks or stockings of the heaviest weight wool obtainable, it naturally followed that you were making your feet as comfortable as they could be made in extreme weather. Many of our knitters have the same idea.

This is not so. If you clothe the feet with too heavy covering you are merely providing an over-dressing which will cause perspiration. This perspiration will freeze in extreme temperatures and will give the sensation of cold and discomfort. The wearer will then be tempted to add even more covering, which will aggravate the condition.

Those who have not been exposed to the severe weather of our northernmost climate will perhaps not be able to appreciate this thoroughly. I was a member of the Commodore Peary Committee on his first exploration in Arctic circles. Our idea of the right thing to do was to stock the kit with plenty of heavy clothing. The result was that many of the men had frozen feet, and the cause was found to be what I have described above. The same thing occurred on our relief expedition, as its members, of course, had had no opportunity of learning the experience of the first party and profiting by it.

The conditions which our own soldiers and those of our allies will have to face next winter will be, judging by the history of the present war's previous winter campaigns, almost as taxing in many instances as those arctic parties have to face. Therefore we must consider carefully what is best for them.

I do not mean to say that socks and stockings and other clothing must not be heavy enough to provide the indispensable warmth, but I believe a word of caution is necessary to those who believe that piling on weight of material is all that is required.

The lesson is just as important for those of us who are at home. Experience has demonstrated that the dressing of the feet and limbs requires the nicest adjustment which will provide warmth but not induce perspiration.

## Duffy--Johnston.

A quiet home wedding took place Wednesday afternoon, at 3 o'clock October 10, 1917, at the residence of Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Grove, in McConnellsburg, when Mr. Herbert A. Duffy, of Webster Mills, and Miss Mary Jane Johnston, of McConnellsburg, were united in marriage by Rev. J. L. Grove, assisted by Rev. J. L. Yearick. The guests were members of the immediate families. The parlor decorations were pink and white—autumn foliage and flowers forming a part. After the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Duffy left on a trip by auto to several places of interest. They will be at home at Webster Mills after October 15th.

The bride is a daughter of the late J. Findlay and Elizabeth Morrow Johnston, a graduate of the Cumberland Valley State Normal School and a popular and very successful teacher. The groom is a son of the late W. Harry Duffy and Mrs. Catharine Glazier Duffy at Webster Mills, and is a member of the firm of Duffy Bros., who own and operate the large flouring mill at that place.