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## RECORD OF DEATHS.

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

### MRS. D. M. CLINE.

Harriet Deshong Kline, wife of David M. Kline, died at their home near Pleasant Ridge on Sunday, November 25, 1917, after a week's illness due to a stroke of paralysis, aged 69 years. The funeral services conducted by her pastor, Rev. T. P. Garland, of the Christian Church, took place Monday afternoon and interment was made in the cemetery at the Sideling Hill Christian church.

Mrs. Kline was a daughter of the late Henry and Priscilla Mellett Deshong, and she spent her entire life on the farm upon which she was born. She had been a member of the Christian Church for many years, and when possible, she was always in her place at the preaching services.

Aunt Harriet as she was familiarly known, will be missed for her many deeds of kindness, which she performed in her quiet unobtrusive way. There was no light too dark—no storm too severe for her to go where she could lend a helping hand or drop a word of sympathy. Having no children of her own, she was a mother to all. During the years of her married life she took into her home no fewer than eight children whom she reared to manhood or to womanhood.

She is survived by her husband, three brothers, namely, Morgan and Henry living in Licking Creek township, and Simon, at Newark, Md., and Elizabeth Layton, of Pleasant Ridge.

### JOHN C. CROMWELL.

Mount Union lost one of her best citizens in the death of John Cromwell, which occurred at his home on East Shirley street, on November 23, 1917, after a lingering illness of some months. Mr. Cromwell was born near Middletown, in Springfield township, on February 17, 1870, and was aged at death 47 years, 8 months and 6 days. He was a son of Wesley and Diana Booth Cromwell. He was married to Lizzie M. Ashton, of near Middletown, in December, 1896.

This union have been born three children, namely: Fred 18, Helen 12 and Normal 4 years of age, respectively. In addition to his wife and children, he is survived by his father, one brother and two sisters, Ettie, wife of Grant Lane, and Annie, wife of Walter Lytle, all of Springfield township, Huntington County. Mr. Cromwell resided at the Madden mill and farm at Three Springs in 1908 and resided there until 1915, after selling to Mr. Lawrence, the family came in November to Mt. Union, where they purchased the Kepler home on Shirley street. Mr. Cromwell was converted at the Walnut Grove Camp meeting and was also baptized and united with the Church of God there. After coming to Mount Union he united with the Methodist church. In 1915 he was a Democrat. For some time after coming to Mount Union, he was on the police force and later he became interested in the Shapiro Drug & Cafe Co. He was an excellent man, pleasant in his disposition, and one who had many friends and whose death many are called to mourn. The funeral services were held from the home on Sunday, in charge of Rev. T. P. Garland, of the Baptist church, and additional services were conducted by Rev. Todd at Walnut Grove cemetery.

### ISAAC B. LAYTON.

Isaac B. Layton, died at the home of Henry Deshong near Pleasant Ridge on Friday, November 20, 1917, of infirmities incident to declining life, aged 74 years, 5 months, and 11 days. He had been in declining health

## Reckless Driving.

Last Saturday evening Ira Forner and Charles Hixson came near being run down by an automobile driven by Merrill Martin and a Mr. Myers who were going east on the Lincoln Highway near the old tollgate in East Extension. The first named were walking and the automobile party seemed to think it would be fun to give the footmen a thrill, by steering the machine as close to them as possible. The machine is said to have followed the men to the sidewalk, and Forner felt the brush of the fender as it whizzed by.

about two years, but had been seriously ill only three weeks.

Mr. Layton followed the business of cabinet maker and undertaker in the community about Pleasant Grove Christian church for many years. It is stated that he kept a record of all the burials which he made as undertaker—the number on list running into the hundreds—and that in a period when he manufactured by hand most of his coffins and caskets.

Mr. Layton was a quiet unassuming citizen—a member of the Christian Church for many years. He was married to Elizabeth Deshong, daughter of the late Henry and Priscilla Mellett Deshong, who survives the loss of her husband.

The funeral services, conducted by Rev. J. C. Garland, were held on Sunday, November 22nd, and interment was made in the cemetery at the Sideling Hill Christian church.

### NATHANIEL MELLOTT.

Nathaniel Mellett, aged 74 years, 8 months, and 11 days, died at the home of his son Harry in Todd township last Saturday night, after an illness covering a period of three years. The funeral services conducted by Rev. J. L. Yearick, took place Tuesday morning, and interment was made in the cemetery at the Sideling Hill Baptist church.

The deceased was a son of Samuel and Asenath Truax Mellett, and he was born on the old homestead near the Sideling Hill Baptist church. About 46 years ago he was married to Miss Adaline Barton, who survives, together with one son Harry, and one daughter, Mrs. Osie Carbaugh. There are 12 grandchildren. He had a large family of brothers and sisters, one of whom is now living—William, near Hartford City, Ind.

### GEORGE CLEVINGER.

George I. Clevinger died at his home in Illinois after a short illness, on Wednesday, November 21, 1917, aged 49 years, 11 months and 12 days. His remains were sent to the home of his mother near Hustontown, and on Thursday, November 29th his body was laid to rest in the cemetery at the Pleasant Grove church in Belfast township. The services being conducted by Rev. L. A. Duvall and Rev. John Mellett assisted by Revs. Crawford and Powers. George was a son of Samuel and Catherine Barton Clevinger, and is survived by his mother, his brother John residing in Whips Cove, Erra, near Hustontown, and Olive wife of Harry Mort.

### JACOB WALTZ.

Jacob Waltz, unmarried, died at the home of Mrs. Mattie Hill near Sharpe post office in Thompson township, Saturday morning, December 1, 1917, aged about 70 years. The funeral took place Monday, the Rev. A. H. Garland of the Christian Church conducting the services, and interment was made at the Antioch church on Timber Ridge. The deceased was a son of the elder John Waltz and he was born in the neighborhood in which he died.

### RUNYAN.

A fine little daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Scott Runyan of this place early Thanksgiving morning but it lived only about an hour. Interment was made in the family lot in the Presbyterian graveyard that afternoon.

## HON. JOHN R. DONEHOOD, DEAD.

Was Owner and Editor of the Fulton Democrat in McConnellsburg Fifty Years Ago.

At the ripe age of 83 years, 2 months and 28 days, Hon. John R. Donehood passed peacefully to rest at his home in New Cumberland, W. Va., at 7 o'clock on Thanksgiving evening.

The deceased was born in Washington county, Pa. He read law in Wheeling and was admitted to the bar in 1857. He purchased the Fulton Democrat from Charles Gaither, moved to McConnellsburg in the fall of 1865, and resided in the house now owned and occupied by Rev. J. L. Grove. On the first day of April, 1869, he sold the Democrat to the late Smith M. Robinson, and a year later, he purchased the Indiana Democrat and removed to Indiana, Pa., where he resided 18 months. While in Fulton County, he was twice elected District Attorney, and he was a delegate to the National Democratic Convention in New York that nominated Seymour and Blair.

From Indiana, Pa., he went to Morgantown, W. Va., and edited the Constitution for three years. In 1874 he gave his entire attention to law and politics, and was recognized as one of the strongest members of the bar in his county. In 1880 he was elected to the state senate of West Virginia and served with much credit during a term of four years.

In 1860 Mr. Donehood was united in marriage with Eleanor McCown, a highly intellectual and accomplished lady. Mrs. Donehood died a little more than ten years ago.

A short time after the Donehoods came to McConnellsburg, the present editor of the NEWS, entered the Fulton Democrat office to learn the mysteries of the "Art Preservative" and lived in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Donehood. The attachment formed for that worthy pair during his stay in their home was such as will last as long as life itself, and it is with a pang of sincere sorrow that he chronicles the death of his early friend.

### Parcel Post Tax.

A tax of one cent on all parcel post packages carrying twenty-five cents worth of postage or more was charged, starting December 1st. To pay the tax the sender of the package must use a special revenue stamp, the ordinary postage stamps not being permissible.

The revenue stamps may be purchased at the local postoffice or substations.

The sender must affix a stamp and cancel the same by writing his initials across it but care must be taken not to write across the regular postage stamps. Packages, the postage on which costs twenty-four cents or less, will be exempted from the tax.

### Killed Canada Lynx.

A wild animal seldom seen in this part of the State was exhibited in town last Saturday by Jere and Tobie Carbaugh, who live in the Corner. It was a Canada Lynx, and had been shot by Jere while hunting in Cove mountain back of the Corner. The animal weighed 37 pounds; would be about 18 inches tall if standing, and about 3 feet from point of nose to tip of tail—the tail being short.

### Mr. Nace Appointed.

Merrill W. Nace of McConnellsburg cashier of the First National Bank at that place, has been named county chairman for Fulton county on the War Savings committee. The appointment came through Robert K. Cassatt, director of the committee. Mr. Nace is a son of D. B. Nace of Montgomery avenue.

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## THE COUNTY INSTITUTE.

Every Teacher, Large and Attentive Audiences, and Splendid Lyceum Course.

The Fifty-First Annual Session of the Fulton County Teachers' Institute was called to order by the County Superintendent, J. Emery Thomas in the auditorium of the Public School Building at 1:30 o'clock, Monday afternoon. Every one of the eighty-four teachers in the County was present, the day-workers were on the ground, and the Superintendent had but to touch the button, when the machinery of the institute began to move smoothly and there has not been the slightest hitch in the proceedings.

The work had been most carefully planned by Mr. Thomas, and the fine weather, the good health of instructors and teachers and the absence of unavoidable interference made it possible to "run on high" every minute of time.

That grand old man—old only in the length of time spent in continuous service as State Superintendent of Public Instruction—Nathan C. Scheaffer, was present as an all-around man, and was equally as acceptable as instructor in the day sessions or as lecturer on Monday evening.

Prof. Wm. H. Shaw, of Buffalo, N. Y., proved himself to be a most capable director of music, and Miss Emily V. Greathhead, as pianist, needs no introduction to our home people.

Dr. C. H. Gordinier, of the Millersville State Normal, is not a stranger to the teachers of Fulton County, and is one of the State's strong men on the Institute platform.

Owing to a puncture somewhere on the Cumberland Valley railroad, Prof. Alton Packard the entertainer for Tuesday evening, did not reach Chambersburg until the time set for the entertainment in McConnellsburg to begin; but thanks to the Lincoln Highway, the automobile, and the patience of a McConnellsburg audience, an hour later,—nine o'clock—he stood on the platform, with crayon in hand, and the way he flashed pictures on the easel soon put the audience in the best of humor, and for nearly two hours he gave a most pleasing entertainment.

### Y. M. C. A. Fund.

Below will be found the result by districts of the campaign for Y. M. C. A. War Work. As no reports were received from four districts the publication of the result of the canvass has been delayed in the hope that one or more of the four might make a report of the result of the work done in them.

Ayr	\$116.60
Belfast	110.00
Brush Creek	85.75
Licking Creek	96.50
McConnellsburg	91.70
Taylor	101.40
Thompson	38.55
Todd	42.60
Total	\$688.10

The fund collected was sent off last week to W. Lovell Baldrige, Hollidaysburg, who is the chairman of the district composed of the counties of Blair, Huntingdon, Bedford and Fulton.

We extend our sincere thanks to the Captains of the districts of the county for their willing cooperation, to all their helpers, and to all who contributed to the fund.

JNO. P. SIPES,  
Chm. Fulton County.

### Craig—Cutchall.

Edward Maurice Craig of McConnellsburg, and Miss Pearl Cutchall daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Cutchall of Ayr township were married in Hagerstown, Md. Tuesday, November 27, 1917. They were taken to Hagerstown in Daniel Clevenger's touring car with Robert Linn as chauffeur.

## POPULARIZE AIRPLANES.

Better Planes, Longer Flights, Lincoln Highway Considered for Transcontinental Air Journey.

Plans are already afoot for the extension of aeronautic activities following the war. Numerous manufacturers are making preparations in this connection, upon the theory that highways in the air will be as necessary to the commercial interests of the country as the Lincoln Highway and other through transcontinental routes of travel are to the truck and pleasure automobile of the present time. Orville Wright, of Dayton, has been quoted in this connection to the following effect, "after the war flying will become safe, popular and comparatively cheap. As soon as the war is over I expect to see the whole country mapped out with aerial highways. Along these routes, say every seven miles, there will be alighting stations and hangars. With these airdromes as near to each other as this it will always be easy for an aviator to make a safe landing in case of engine trouble.

While flying one-half to one mile above ground a very modest altitude nowadays, it will be easy to glide to safety if you get stalled midway between stations."

For some time past Carl G. Fisher, of Indianapolis, originator and Vice-President of the Lincoln Highway Association has been working upon the details of aerial routing to meet such requirements. His findings are to be placed at the disposal of the Government to facilitate present war time needs. The system perfected by Mr. Fisher will be available in laying out the transcontinental routing for aeroplanes which it is expected will closely follow the line of the Lincoln Highway from New York to San Francisco.

### From Geo. M. Eitemiller.

KANSAS CITY, MO.  
Enclosed please find M. O. for \$1.50 subscription to NEWS for the year to September 1918. I believe this is correct. Also please change the mailing address from the Winton Hotel to the Hotel Roxford 3425 Harrison St., as Frank has sold the Winton and purchased the Roxford where we now hold forth. A fine family hotel in southern section of the city. Very homelike and filled with very desirable guests. I hoped to visit the old town when Jake was home but we took a trip in our auto through southern Missouri, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Kansas (994 miles) which was all I wanted in one dose. Hope to see the old Bnrg and those of my acquaintance who yet decorate the store boxes, counters and other meeting places to discuss the topics of the later day. From the strange (to me) names and doings given in your paper I fancy there are but few of my old school and boyhood acquaintances left, 54 years since I first flew the coop, makes many changes.

### Seventy-Second Birthday.

The heart of Mrs. Lydia Mellett was made glad last Friday a week when a number of her good friends called to offer congratulations and to perform such other acts of kindness as were much appreciated by that good woman. Those present were A. C. Deshong and wife, and sons Ross and Watson; Y. S. Mellett and wife, I. W. Kline, wife and baby Madeleine; B. A. Ross and daughter Pearl, Mrs. Blaine J. Hixson and sons Doyle and John, Mrs. Michael Bard, Mrs. James Harr, Nelson Daniels, George Hauman and son Elias, Wilson Roudabush and wife, Ross Bard, Sylvester Truax Bruce Clevenger and William and Andrew Swope. Two of Mrs. Mellett's 8 surviving children were present: Mrs. A. C. Deshong and Mrs. I. W. Kline.

## "Little" Fulton.

When the adjective "little" is applied to Fulton, it is done by some one who is proud to admit that he is a native of that county and not with a view to be "little" the name in the ears of strangers. Of the 67 counties in the grand old commonwealth of Pennsylvania, 17 of them or more than one-fourth of the counties of Pennsylvania are smaller in point of area than Fulton, as the following will show:

FULTON	442
Cameron	381
Carbon	402
Delaware	195
Forest	431
Juniata	407
Lackawanna	424
Lawrence	376
Lebanon	356
Lehigh	364
Mifflin	377
Montour	140
Northampton	382
Philadelphia	130
Snyder	317
Sullivan	434
Union	315
Wyoming	403

While Fulton County does not have a population as great as that of Allegheny, there are counties in Pennsylvania with a smaller population than Fulton:

Cameron	7644
Pike	8033
Forest	9435
FULTON	9703

As a wheat growing county, Fulton does not hold a mean position, there being 37 counties in the State whose acreage of wheat planted this fall is smaller than that of Fulton according to reports just published by the State Board of Agriculture as the following will show:

Allegheny	15,654
Armstrong	17,999
Beaver	12,797
Blair	17,176
Bradford	5,701
Cameron	30
Carbon	1,594
Clarion	16,686
Clearfield	4,603
Clinton	10,697
Crawford	13,325
Delaware	7,520
Elk	224
Erie	7,049
Fayette	16,260
Forest	483
Greene	15,632
Jefferson	7,896
Lackawanna	20
Lawrence	13,590
Luzerne	4,550
McKean	284
Monroe	1,608
Montour	12,363
Philadelphia	1,375
Pike	148
Potter	157
Schuylkill	15,951
Somerset	15,738
Sullivan	666
Susquehanna	389
Tioga	1,391
Venango	4,645
Warren	949
Wayne	15
Wyoming	538
FULTON	18,192

### Had a Deer Hunt.

Judge Peter Morton and wife spent the time from Tuesday of last week until Sunday visiting their son Roy at Petersburg, Pa. On Saturday morning Roy took his father to the Rod and Gun Club at Harry's Valley for a day's deer hunt, a thing that the elder Morton enjoyed immensely.

The Club owns 150 acres of the choicest hunting grounds in the State, which is entirely surrounded by State Forests. The Club has a fine building erected on this, containing all modern conveniences and during the season they have all kinds of sport.

The party that Judge was out with last Saturday was composed of sixteen hunters and they succeeded in bringing down three fine bucks—one of 3-prongs, one of 4, and one of 5. The largest deer was shot by Samuel Lightner, a Ranger; the 4-pronged, by Billy Phillips, and the 3-pronged, by Harry Lightner.

Mac Morton came down from State College and spent some time with his parents at Roy's.

## WHEN CEREALS ARE INJURIOUS.

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

Cereals are valuable as food-stuffs for human needs, particularly during youth and old age.

We will use in this talk oatmeal as an example of starchy foods and through it, study their effect on the system. In the first place it should be thoroughly chewed so that the alkaline secretions of the glands in the mouth are thoroughly mixed with it. If this is done, the process of digestion which turns the starch into sugar is well started before the food passes from the mouth into the stomach, where it meets with an acid secretion intended for the digestion of proteins or meats. Here the starch digestion, if it has been started, is arrested.

There are two ways of preparing or cooking these foodstuffs, oatmeal among them. The Scotch cook it a very short time, their idea being to retain a certain degree of hardness of the grain that may act mechanically and stimulate the nerves of the muscular walls of the intestines and thereby take the place of laxatives that are too often used by those leading sedentary lives. This half-cooked mass of food is often mixed with milk or cream, which helps to wash it down immediately upon taking it into the mouth, which entirely prevents the natural digestion.

When taken in this way, oatmeal or other starchy food is wasted as far as nourishing the body is concerned and often acts as a foreign substance in the digestive tract, thereby interfering with general digestion of other foods. This not only prevents the body getting nourishment from a general diet but it produces toxins or poisons which are absorbed by the body and cause various ills, all the way from a slight disturbance of health to such an extreme that sometimes will cost a life.

The better and most practical way to cook oats or other starchy foods is to submit them to cooking for hours, often all night, that the grain be thoroughly softened, which makes it more easily digested. This softer preparation of the food, however, is also often eaten with milk or cream, reducing its consistency to a semi-liquid which goes down the throat almost immediately after entering the mouth. It therefore is subject to the same criticism as the less thoroughly cooked oatmeal as far as the alkaline digestion in the mouth is concerned. This, however, is not irritating to the digestive system and would seem to go through a certain degree of digestion in the intestinal tract. Nevertheless, it is robbed of a great deal of its food value.

The oats and other starchy foods, as we have said, should be thoroughly cooked and kept in the mouth sufficiently long for the first process of digestion to take place.

Going back, then to our thoroughly cooked oatmeal, we may say that the wisest way to prepare starchy food is to make it into cakes or some other form that will necessitate chewing before it can be swallowed. If, however, owing to the conditions we meet in life, we are compelled to take a food in mush form, it is advisable to select that which is thoroughly cooked and sufficiently dry to hold its own form. This form should not be destroyed by adding large quantities of milk and cream. The food should enter the mouth in solid form so that more or less mastication will be required. When this is followed out oatmeal becomes a valuable food, and many persons who have had to give up the eating of starches, can, if they follow this advice, resume their consumption with impunity and often be much benefited. This is true especially, as has been said, in youth and old age.