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## RECORD OF DEATHS.

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

### HARVEY L. SIPES.

Harvey L. Sipes died in Greencastle, Pa., on Thursday night of last week as the result of a fall the evening before in which his skull was fractured. His remains were taken to the home of his brother Frank B. Sipes in McConnellsburg on Sunday morning at which place the funeral was held on Monday morning and interment was made in the family lot in Union cemetery. Rev. John McClay Diehl, of the Presbyterian Church, Welsh Run, Pa., conducted the services.

Harvey was a son of James and Martha Layton Sipes and was born in McConnellsburg on the 29th day of January 1855; hence at the time of his death he was aged 63 years, 4 months, and 17 days. He served one term as County Treasurer of Fulton County, he was a capable officer, and a popular citizen. Since the death of his father, he and his mother (up to the time of her death a few months ago) and his niece, Miss A. Gertrude Sipes, lived at the National Hotel, Chambersburg, thus being nearer to their farms in Cumberland County. They also owned the old home property in McConnellsburg.

Harvey was a victim of alcoholism which is perhaps directly responsible for his premature death.

### GRANT FIX.

Grant Fix died at the Chambersburg Hospital, where he had been receiving treatment for an injury received when struck by a plow handle. Mr. Fix entered the hospital a week ago and was successfully operated upon. However, complications followed and his death occurred early Tuesday morning.

Mr. Fix was aged 50 years and resided along the Lincoln Highway, about four miles west of McConnellsburg. He is survived by his wife who is a daughter of Oliver Oakman, and a number of children. One son is in the army and is now in France. The body was taken to his home Tuesday afternoon and the funeral will be held on Friday afternoon at 2:30. Interment at Bethlehem.

### CLARENCE C. PALMER

Word has been received that Clarence C. Palmer, aged about 35, son of the late Amos Palmer was killed on Wednesday of last week in an accident, and that he was buried in Pittsburgh on Friday. At time of going to press we do not have any further particulars.

### Letter of Acknowledgment.

June 14, 1918

MRS. NETTIE TRUAX,

My dear Unknown Friend:

I am a young man enlisted in the Tank Corps, and am one of the fortunate boys who received a pair of socks. Now, I want to thank you, and to assure you that I appreciate the socks, as I know they will come in handy when I go across, which we all hope will be soon. The boys in my received socks and sweaters. And will say that we are pleased to be taking a part in this great world's war, with such good women as yourself behind us; and, furthermore, permit me to add that boys alone cannot win this war. The women and people at home who cannot go to the front, will have to cheer the boys up—a thing you have done to-day when we received the socks and sweaters.

Hoping that you women may keep the good work up and help us boys end this war, I am,

Mylan P. Metzkus,  
304 B. N. Co. B.

Heavy Tanks, Gettysburg, Pa.  
P. S. I am a Pennsylvania boy.  
My home is in Pittsburgh.

### Fr. m John Q. Taylor.

Mrs. F. M. Taylor, East Lincoln Way, received a letter Tuesday morning from her son, John, written on the 23rd of May, and Mrs. Leslie W. Seylar received one from him written on the 16th of May. John is somewhere in France, but evidently where there is something doing about all the time. To Mrs. Seylar, John says, "It certainly was a treat to receive a letter from home—the first I have received for a month."

"Yes, Mrs. Seylar, I am just where you think I am, and am doing my best. I saw a battle between German airplanes and those of the Allies yesterday, and could see the shells burst that were fired at the German planes. It was a grand sight and a most exciting event. Of course, airplanes are buzzing through the air here every day, like swarms of bees—but they are rather large. Some of the McConnellsburg boys who get a lot of fun out of a 25-cent cannon cracker, could here get all the noise they want for a dozen Fourth of July celebrations for nothing. The constant clatter of smaller guns makes you think you are out on the meadowground mountain the first day of the hunting season. The place at which I am located is something like the Aughwick Valley, and I am working hard every day."

In the letter to his mother, John says: "I have just received your letters of April 7-14-23; also one from Bessie, Mid, Mary and Orlan, and was sure glad to hear from you, for it was the first word I had received from you for a month. I think I told you in my other letter that I am at the Front now. I have seen several air battles—all in our favor. We are working at present with pick and shovel. I go to work about the same time Ross and I used to start out, and come in about the same time we came in. We are furnished plenty of music from the big guns. I haven't heard from Newt Morton for some time. The boys must have had some real experience in pushing the war trucks through the snows on the Lincoln Highway last winter. Well, it is only a foretaste of things to come. My address is,

JOHN Q. TAYLOR,  
Co. B, 23 Eng'rs.,  
Am. E. F. A. S.  
France.

### Republican Devil.

The caption does not mean that he was a devil of a Republican, for we are not real sure whether he was a republican or not, but the following letter received by Frank B. Sipes, of this place a few days ago may throw some light upon the subject:

"DEAR SIR:—A cousin of mine living at Apollo, Pa., kindly sent me two copies of the FULTON COUNTY NEWS, one of which contained an advertisement of yours. Now, if you are the same Frank B. Sipes that I used to know when I worked in the Republican office as a 'devil' I would like to hear from you. That is a long time ago; but I guess you will remember me. I am still at the printing game, and I see by your advertisement that you are still in the butchering line.

Where is Will Teeter? and whom did he marry?

Tell me all about yourself and any whom you think I knew at that time. I will answer promptly and tell you a few of the many moves I have made since I last saw you."

Editor's Note.—Frank Doyle, was working in the Democrat office at the same time Bill Carr was "devil" the Republican, and is now foreman in the office of the FULTON COUNTY NEWS.

There will be a festival at Cito M. E. Church Saturday evening June 15th. Proceeds to be used for painting the Church.

### C. L. S. C. BANQUET.

Delightful Social Occasion Nets Twenty-eight Dollars and Fifty Cents to the Red Cross Fund.

The initial letters "C. L. S. C." stand for the words Chautauqua Literary and Scientific Circle, an organization formed by Bishop Vincent away back in 1878, and now having a membership of hundreds of thousands.

Bishop Vincent was a scholar and philanthropist. He recognized the fact that most people read; that the advantage derived from reading depends upon the quality of literature read; that comparatively few people are able to secure a college education; that there are many notable examples of men who figured conspicuously in shaping the destinies of nations, who acquired much of their knowledge by reading good books by the home fire-side. He, therefore, conceived the idea of planning a course of reading covering a period of four years, which should include the best in classics, history, science and art—the books to be written in such style as to make them easily understood. This course of reading may be followed by the individual, what is better, for several persons in the community to organize a local circle, meet once a week, and discuss the reading of the past week. The cost of the outfit—books, periodicals, etc., is \$5.00 to each individual. Where there are more than one member in a home, one set of books will answer for the family. At the end of the four years' course, a diploma is awarded.

During the past three years McConnellsburg has had a local Circle, and the members are most enthusiastic in their praise of the advantages derived. The course covers a period of nine months each year. It has been the custom of the local Circle to give a banquet at the close of each year's work. In sympathy with the many demands for money to help win the war, the local Circle determined to hold their annual banquet at Hotel Mellett and donate the proceeds to the Red Cross Fund. Hon. and Mrs. Geo. B. Mellett very generously place at the disposal of the Circle their spacious dining rooms, serving rooms and lobby free of all cost, and on last Friday evening the Circle with about fifty invited guests assembled in the banquet hall, partook of a splendid supper, and each person present including the members of the Circle chipped in a half-dollar making a total of \$28.50—all of which went into the treasury of the Red Cross Chapter—the Circle bearing the expenses of the supper.

The banquet was a delightful social occasion. The dining hall was brilliantly lighted, the tables were tastefully decorated, the menu, elaborate, and the service,

### Visiting His Old Haunts.

George J. Hertzler, a former Burnt Cabins boy, a son of the late H. H. Hertzler, arrived in this county last Sunday, took dinner at Hotel Harris, and then started out for the upper end of this County, and for Huntingdon County, to find his old time friends and relatives. Thirty-eight years ago, when George became 21 years of age, his father led him out to the top of a hill, showed him the world and said, "This is yours, George, go to it." George went to Nebraska, grew up with the country, and is now in comfortable circumstances. His wife dying about a year ago, he rented his farm stocked, and decided to come back and spend the summer among his Pennsylvania friends. Just before coming east he visited Daniel Barmon's at Harvard, Neb. Daniel is a brother of Henry in Todd township, and is another Fulton County boy who made good in the West. Daniel and his wife placed their farm in charge of their son Harry, and have gone to town to live. Their daughter Miss Margaret is a teacher in the schools at Harvard, and boards at home.

### Had Pleasant Trip.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Hill and Will Mellett of Belfast township, went down to Greencastle last Thursday in Mr. Hill's car. Friday morning they went by train to Hershey, Pa., where they spent the time until Sunday attending the annual session of the Brethren Conference. They had a very pleasant trip. There were some 15,000 or 18,000 persons in attendance, representing almost every state in the Union. Mr. Hershey, the Chocolate King was at the meeting on Sunday when they took up the special collection for the Red Cross Fund. Before they passed the hat Mr. Hershey arose and made a special plea for a liberal contribution, saying that he would match every dollar they chose to give. When the contribution was counted it was found that the audience had given \$8,900.00. Mr. Hershey made his word good, and gave a like sum, making the total contribution \$17,800.00.

Miss Carrie Greathead, who has completed another year's work teaching in the Johnstown public schools, is home for her summer vacation.

Not the least enjoyable part of the occasion was the splendid literary part of the program which followed the ice cream. Prof. Admiral Smith was toastmaster, and a hearty greeting was extended by Miss McGovern, president of the Circle. This was followed by addresses by Rev. Edw. Jackson, Mrs. H. L. McKibbin, Rev. W. V. Grove, Hon. John P. Sipes, Mrs. Harry Hall, B. W. Peck, M. R. Shafer, Esq., Rev. C. F. Jacobs, Rev. W. H. Lowe, Hon. D. H. Patterson, and Hon. S. W. Kirk.

## FRIDAY, JUNE 28TH,

At Every Schoolhouse in the County.

Pursuant to the proclamation of the President of the United States, and the Governor of this State, meetings will be held in every Schoolhouse in Fulton County at 8 o'clock, p. m., on Friday, June 28, 1918, to secure subscriptions for War Savings Stamps in the amount which the United States Government expects to borrow from the people of Fulton county. All persons in the county will be notified to attend the meeting at the most convenient schoolhouse in their home district promptly at 8 o'clock on June 28th.

In order to raise the total quota for Fulton County it will be necessary that each district subscribe the amount allotted to it. If each person will do his or her duty, this will not impose a burden on any person in the county.

NATIONAL WAR-SAVINGS COMMITTEE,  
Merrill W. Nace, County Chmn.,  
McConnellsburg, Pa.

### ANNUAL SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

Every One in Attendance Delighted with the Hospitality of the Good People of Hustontown.

The 38th Annual S. S. Convention was held at Hustontown, May 28, and 29, 1918. The convention opened with a very good representation of State and County workers, but the report of delegates was not equal to the preparation that was made by the people of Hustontown, for we were royally entertained by them. I hope to have a report from each school in the County before July 1, 1918. Will the Superintendent or Secretary attend to this as soon as possible?

Rev. C. A. Oliver, of York, Pa., one of the State workers, made an earnest appeal in his address for more Teacher Training Classes; at the same time, explaining the need of more Teacher Training work.

Mr. W. D. Reel, of Philadelphia, delivered an address on "The Patriotic Sunday School." He said that the Sunday Schools of America must take a very active part in keeping the Home Fires burning, while the boys are away, by building a stronger and better organization that will stand by the fundamental doctrines of Christianity and build up christian character. Mr. Reel also gave several practical illustrations of the working of the Home Department.

Hon. S. W. Kirk addressed the convention on "The Call of Today." He emphasized the fact that every individual was called to some special work by the church and nation.

Rev. W. V. Grove, who has been very active in Teacher Training work, delivered address on "Training to Serve," which clinched the remarks of Rev. Oliver.

"Safety First" was the subject of an address given by Rev. Edward Jackson, who explained to the convention the necessity of safety first in the Sunday School.

Mr. C. J. Brewer gave an excellent address on "Temperance in the Sunday School" giving reasons why temperance should be taught in the Sunday School—one reason given was, that our Nation's salvation depended on the youth of the Sunday School.

Rev. Strain, of Hustontown, delivered an address on "The O. A. B. Class" showing by his remarks the necessity of Organization in the S. S. and what the O. A. B. Classes are doing for the S. S. and Individuals.

R. R. Hann, Chairman of the nominating committee reported the following list of officers, and on motion were elected.

### OFFICERS.

President—Rev. Wm. J. Lowe, McConnellsburg, Pa.  
Vice President—Geo. W. Fisher, Hancock, Md.  
Secretary—Geo. A. Comerer, McConnellsburg, Pa.  
Treasurer—Wilson L. Nace, McConnellsburg, Pa.

### FIELD FORCE.

Superintendent Elementary Grade—Mrs. B. H. Shaw, Hustontown, Pa.  
Supt. Home Department—Mrs. C. B. Stevens, McConnellsburg, Pa.  
Supt. Teacher Training—Rev. W. V. Grove, McConnellsburg, Pa.  
Supt. O. A. B. Class—Jonh P. Sipes, McConnellsburg, Pa.  
Temperance Supt.—C. J. Brewer, McConnellsburg, Pa.  
Supt. Secondary Grade—Mrs. Geo. W. Reisner, McConnellsburg, Pa.  
Supt. Rural Schools—Frank P. Plessinger, Locust Grove, Pa.  
Missionary Supt.—Miss Blanche Smith, Needmore, Pa.

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Children's Day services will be held at Damascus Christian Church Sunday morning, June 16th.

Ayr—W. C. Patterson, McCon-

### Statement

The Fulton County Chapter of the American Red Cross was organized one year ago. The following statement will be of interest:

Annual members, to date	1,480
Subscribing members, to date	18
Contributing members, to date	5

Total membership, to date 1,503

### MEMBERSHIP OF AUXILIARIES

Taylor,	146
Dublin,	120
Union	162
Bethel,	167
Belfast,	123
Brush Creek,	183
Wells,	183

The annual dues are now becoming payable and can be handed to the Secretary of the Auxiliaries, or to the Solicitors, who will give a receipt. Renew your subscriptions and solicit new members, with the aim of having every man, woman and child join the Red Cross.

MRS. B. FRANK HENRY,  
Secretary.

### STATEMENT OF TREASURER.

Receipts to Relief Fund to June 1st	\$1,295.90
Expenditures for Relief Fund	1,295.90
Receipts to General Fund to June 1st	1,47.98
Expenditures from General Fund to June 1st.	1,116.17
Balance in hands of Treasurer	\$ 357.81

H. U. NACE, Treas.

### Red Cross Party.

One of the pleasantest features of the Red Cross Work in our township was held Friday evening June 7th, when Mr. and Mrs. Emory Diehl entertained in their home a number of young people.

A number of jolly games were played, some excellent music rendered and a delicious lunch served after which a sum of money amounting to \$10 was raised for the benefit of the Red Cross, and at a late hour, all returned to their homes, doubly thanking Mr. and Mrs. Diehl for such a delightful evening.

Those present were: Misses Carrie Barkman, Lula Schenck, Celia Barton, Louise Kregar, Maud Kregar, Adrienne Harman, Mary Plessinger and Rintah Diehl, Roy Hixson, Glenn McKibbin, George and James Barton, John Hoop, Percy Hixson, John Kregar, Ernest Spade, Robert Smith, Upton and Ellis Plessinger, Marshall Diehl, and Carey Carlson.

### Subscribers for the News

nellsburg.  
Belfast—J. P. Garland, Needmore.  
Bethel—H. K. Markley, Warfordsburg.  
Brush Creek—M. A. Barkman, Akersville.  
Dublin—J. H. Covalt, Ft. Littleton.  
McConnellsburg—A. U. Nace, McConnellsburg.  
Licking Creek—R. R. Sipe, Harrisonville.  
Todd—Cyrus Wagner, Knobsville.  
Thompson—Amos Sharp, Sharpe.  
Taylor—Erra Clevenger, Hustontown.  
Wells—J. N. Duvall, Wells Tannery.  
Union—J. C. Parlett, Lashley.

Officers elect please take note of this list.  
The resolutions read by Mrs. B. H. Shaw, Chairman of Committee, were very good and were heartily accepted by convention. A vote of thanks was extended to all that took part in the convention, and to the folks of Hustontown for their royal entertainment.

The convention adjourned to meet at McConnellsburg in 1919.

GEO. A. COMERER,  
Cor. Secretary.

### COMING INTO THEIR OWN.

Coon and Post Already Sentenced, Shearer and Myers Will Get Theirs Later.

Tired of the opprobrium attached to living in the "county without a railroad" citizens of McConnellsburg were ripe to listen to the smooth tones of one Edward J. Post and his "friend" Samuel B. Shearer, who appeared upon the scene four years ago, and promised the people of Fulton County that all that was needed to have railroad communication with the outside world was—money. He assured us that he had friends who had "bars" of money to build railroads, and all that was needed was, that our home people should "put up" for the preliminary expenses just to show that we had interest enough in the project not dig up the track after it was built.

We bit. McConnellsburg people may be depended upon to bite.

Later there appeared upon the scene, one Clyde Coon, a practical railroad builder and contractor. More than a hundred thousand dollars of good money was spent.

Then the work stopped on the railroad and the doors of a certain bank known as the Lemaster National Bank in Franklin County closed its doors. There was a shortage with the cashier, Mr. Enos D. Myers was asked to explain. He said Coon did it. Coon said Post and Shearer helped.

The United States Court called these gentlemen in for an explanation. As a result, two weeks ago, Coon was sentenced to the federal prison Atlanta, Ga., for nine years. It took the jury just forty minutes to return a verdict of guilty in six counts. Judge Witmer at once called the convict before him and before pronouncing sentence the court scathingly rebuked Coon, arraigning him severely for the part he had played in wrecking the bank and bringing distress to scores of people.

At Williamsport on Thursday of last week, Edward J. Post was sentenced to six years in a federal prison.

There was nothing brought out in the case to show that Post had ever been convicted of a crime prior to this one. Judge Witmer said he could show no mercy, for he was a man of intelligence and had deliberately chosen the wrong path. As Post was taken from the court room he broke down and sobbed and wept.

The trial of Samuel B. Shearer has been continued until the October session at Scranton.

The sentencing of Emos D. Myers, the cashier of the Lemasters Bank at the time of the crash, has been continued until the October session. Myers pleaded guilty at the May session of federal court held in Harrisburg and sentence was then deferred until the various trials of others.

### Better Balanced Farming in South.

Here is good news from the agricultural front in Southern Alabama. Four years ago not a carload of hogs was shipped from 17 counties in that section of the State. In the year ending April 1, 1918, 2,352 carloads of hogs were shipped from these 17 counties. This change, illustrating the better balanced agriculture made necessary by boll-weevil ravages, is accredited by officials of the States Relations to the efforts of the county agents of the Department and the State agricultural colleges in demonstrating hog production to farmers and showing them how to ship hogs cooperatively.

Miss Emma R. Sloan, who has been teaching in Johnstown, is spending her summer vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Sloan.