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OLDEST INHABITANT OF THE COUNTY.

By the death of Levi Shoemaker, of Berlin, last February, Somerset county lost its only centenarian, who on the 9th of the previous month had rounded his 101st year.

But this brief interregnum was happily and gloriously broken on Thursday when Great-Grandmother Mary Magdalene Crise, of Trent, completed her "century run" across the calendar of life.

Mother Crise's 100th birthday anniversary was celebrated by hundreds, relatives and friends, who had assembled at her humble home on the classic banks of the North Fork of the Youghiogheny, in Middledreek township. There was a reign of prayer, of song, and—congratulations galore. Though confined to her bed, the aged woman came through the ordeal in good spirits and apparently none the worse in her physical condition. The ceremonies were in charge of her pastor, the Rev. J. E. Lowe, of Glade Lutheran congregation, who also administered communion to his aged parishioner.

Bolstered up to a sitting posture in her bed beside the kitchen range, Mother Crise viewed with keen interest all the ceremonies taking place about her. She smiled appreciatively and chatted intelligently with all who approached her bedside. Her mind is astonishingly alert, her memory perfect, her sight and hearing unimpaired. Her eyes show nothing of the ruin of age. Her look is appealing and friendly. Hers is a sweet face that has successfully defied Father Time's deepest wrinkles, but it's a strong face, indicating an unusually strong mind. In fact, Mother Crise looks like a woman of 60, and her disposition is most cheerful.

Mother Crise is not an invalid. A partial cripple since infancy, she has been for many years a hopeless, helpless cripple. Her misfortune, her long sufferings, make the afflictions of Job fade into comparative insignificance. And what of the Christian fortitude that has borne her cheer-

fully, uncomplainingly, through all these years to her 100th birthday.

Mary Magdalene Crise was May 15, 1813, daughter of Henry and Elizabeth (Keyser) Miller. When two and a half years old she was stricken with what physicians to-day would term infantile paralysis. Her left leg was permanently paralyzed.

At the age of 14, Mary Magdalene, though hampered by the necessary use of crutches, took up the work of spinning flax and woolen yarns, in which she excelled. Her old spinning wheel, crowned with a bunch of ancient "tow", stands in the sitting room adjoining the kitchen. At the age of 33 she married Josiah Crise, son of Michael Crise, of Allegheny county, Maryland. They had three children, two of whom survive; Isaiah Crise, residing near Bakersville, and Phoebe Anne, wife of Esquire John H. Miller of Trent. One brother, Johathan Miller, of Alverton, Westmoreland county, who attended Thursday's festivities, is the sole survivor of Henry Miller's family of 14 children.

When fifty years old a splinter penetrated one of Mrs. Crise's fingers and blood-poisoning ensued. A long period of suffering followed, rendering her right arm useless ever afterwards. Her right hand is atrophied, withered. Some years ago, Mother Crise fell to the floor while attempting to pick up a needle, fracturing her right leg in a way that destroyed all further use of her remaining limb, and she has since been permanently disabled except that she still has the use of her left arm and hand. All these years she has spent in bed, except at infrequent intervals when she is strong enough to sit in an invalid's chair. Her husband's kindness never flagged. He nursed her through his remaining years, and unwillingly surrendered his charge when death called him. Josiah Crise died twenty years ago. Then Cora Crise, the grand-daughter, a lass early in her teens, eagerly "stepped into the breach" to care for the stricken grandmother. What has been her filial devotion, what have been her cares, her sacrifices, in these twenty years, heaven only knows. She does not speak of her martyr-heroine life, because she does not realize her sacrifices as she attends upon every move, every wish and whim of her aged and helpless ancestor. How irrevocable is the flight of time! How pathetically beautiful if Cora could go back to finish her girlhood life:

Mother Crise is poor, very poor in this world's staples. But she has never known want. The neighboring farmers bring in everything needed to keep Cora's sanatorium running at its highest efficiency. They do not call this charity either. It has become a habit with the farmers, and if Mother Crise should die, as some day she might, the farmers would insist on "keeping" Cora, which, of course, they couldn't, for Cora is self-supporting. She has thoroughly mastered the dressmaker's trade, between her household duties, by a correspondence course and by actual work with her needle. Her diploma from the American Dressmaking School adorns the wall of her kitchen. Besides, Cora is strictly marriagable. She is still on the sunny side of forty, perfectly built and handsome, with dazzling brown eyes and dimpled cheeks, with a voice sweeter than lute or harp; her phrases rounded with a cadence that rivals the coo of the doves—a perfect voice modulated into sweetness by crooning her filial love and fathomless sympathy to grandmother. The wealthy bachelor man or widower, who would not give his life for Cora would not be worth saving.

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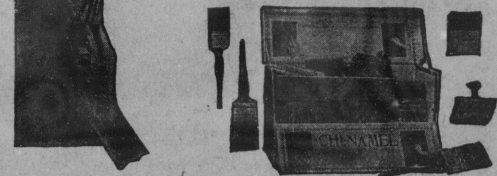
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- Full quart jar Sweet Pickles at..... 30c
- Full quart jar Queen Olives at..... 30c
- 10c box Soupplettes at..... 7c
- 10c box Wall Paper Cleaner at..... 7c
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