

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

News Items of Interest From Near-by Places, Gleaned by The Commercial's Special Correspondents.

ROCKWOOD

Inspector and Mrs. Grant Younkin and son returned Friday from Kansas, where they spent three weeks with other friends and relatives. Mr. Younkin reports that Kansas is a dry state in every respect now, as there has not been rain there for about three months.

Mrs. J. B. Vaughn, of Winston-Salem, N. C., is spending several weeks in Rockwood and vicinity, where she will visit friends and relatives.

Miss Alice Donough, of Scotland, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Leigh at the Merchants' Hotel. Miss Donough expects to spend several months in this country.

Mrs. Frank Bougher, of Somerset, is the guest of Rockwood friends several days this week.

Miss Lottie Hoover, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hoover and G. W. Pritts, of Berlin, were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents at Rockwood Thursday evening by Rev. J. J. Duke. A wedding supper was served to a large number of their friends. The bride received many valuable presents.

Conductor and Mrs. J. P. Baine are spending their vacation at Atlantic City.

James Swisher, of Somerset, formerly tax collector of Black township, was a business visitor in Rockwood Saturday.

SIPPLESVILLE

Mr. and Mrs. Johnson and family, of Cumberland, were welcome callers at Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Heckler's on Sunday.

Mr. W. R. Hook, who went to Somerset for his health, is home again with his sister, Mrs. W. A. Freeze, of this place.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Smith, of this place, were welcome callers at Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Smith's, of Meyersdale, Sunday.

Mrs. Robert Lee, of Saylor's Knob, was a welcome caller on Mrs. Lucy Albright Monday.

Mrs. Ross Albright was a welcome caller on Mrs. W. P. Bear Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Belcher and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brocher, all of Berlin, were welcome callers on Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Brocher, of this place, Sunday.

Mr. Ross Albright, of this place, spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. Frank Boose.

Mr. Charles Beal, of the South Side, is helping Mr. Charles Yutz to put his oats at present.

Miss Edith Smith, of the South Side, spent Tuesday night with her brother and sister, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Smith, of this place, and then went from here to the mountains on Wednesday for blackberries.

Miss Ellen Hoover, of Elk Lick, was a welcome caller on Mrs. Lucy Albright, of this place, on Wednesday last.

Mr. Charles Yutz, of this place, cut oats for Mr. Charles Albright this week.

Mrs. George Primrose, Mr. N. B. Heckler and Mrs. L. A. Smith, of this place, are among the sick at present.

Mrs. William Arokley was a welcome caller on her mother, Mrs. Lucy Albright, of this place, Friday last.

GARRETT

Miss Minnie Miller of Ohio, is visiting her friend, Mrs. Ralph Romesburg.

W. Hoover is now at his home after having spent several weeks at the hospital in Cumberland. He is improving slowly.

The Y. L. B. C. of the Lutheran church held a moonlight picnic at the park on Thursday evening. The weather was fine and all report having had a glorious time.

Misses Clara McQuade and Hilda Bender of Berlin, are guests of Miss Irene Rhodes, this week.

Edward Pyle of Confluence, spent the week end with Garrett friends.

Miss Ada Bittner left Saturday morning for Niagara Falls and other points of interest.

Mrs. Gertrude Walb of Wilkinsburg, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Clements last week.

Miss Elsie Saterfield, who has been spending the summer with her grand parents at Six Mile Run, returned home Saturday.

Mrs. B. S. Rush and daughter, Mary Louise, spent the week-end with Mrs. Rush's parents at Manns Choice.

Quite a few of our people spent Thursday at the Lutheran reunion at Rockwood.

Levi Deal of Grove city and Henry

Brant of Ferris, were business visitors in our town on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Clements left Sunday for a short visit with friends and relatives in Johnstown and Hooversville.

URSINA

Mrs. B. Layfield of Humbert, visited with her daughter, Mrs. Fred. Younkin, Thursday.

Quite a number of people from here attended the revival services at Fort Hill, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. John Sanderson, who spent several days here with relatives, returned to their home in Pittsburg, Saturday.

Miss Sara Schaible, and niece, Miss Elva Harper, visited relatives in Fort Hill, Sunday.

Mrs. Chas. Robinson and daughter, Helene, are spending several days with friends and relatives in Ohio Pyle.

Mrs. Agnes Kuhlman and daughter, Anna, of Boyer, W. Va., are spending several weeks here with friends.

Mrs. Lenos Kutz and children of Honaker, Va., who spent several weeks here with friends and relatives, left for their home on Thursday evening.

VIM

The hum of the threshing machine is being heard in our community.

P. W. White and family spent Sunday near Mance with Herman Beal's.

Peter Knepp took advantage of the excursion last Sunday and spent the day in Pittsburg.

Mrs. George Smith and Mrs. Henry Stehl of Meyersdale, spent Monday with Mrs. Martin Meyer.

Irvin Shockey and family of Greenville township, spent Sunday with W. W. Nicholson's.

Mrs. Amanda Sechler of St. Paul, spent Saturday and Sunday in our town.

Peter Fike, Wm. Brown, and "West" Burkhardt, biked to Jennings, Md., last Sunday.

Wm. Seggie improved his property by putting down a concrete walk around his house.

Chas. Wellen and his sister, Emma, left on Monday to spend a fortnight with friends and relatives.

Harvey Saylor and family of Meyersdale, spent Sunday with Eugene Wellen's.

OHIO PYLE

Doctor Ridenour, of Pittsburg, spent Sunday in town.

Mr. and Mrs. John Waters were calling on friends in Confluence on Sunday.

John Nicholas spent Sunday in Cumberland.

Mrs. William Mason and daughter, Grace, have returned to their home near here, after a short visit with Connellsville friends.

Adam Johnson spent Sunday in Confluence.

Doctor Meyers, of Confluence, made a call in Ohio Pyle on Sunday.

The largest crowd of the season and for years past from the excursions and Ringer reunion spent Sunday in Ohio Pyle.

James Gould spent Sunday in Pittsburg.

CONFLUENCE

Miss Helen Foley, of Pittsburg, is spending several weeks here, the guest of the Misses Walsh.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Black and son, Stanley, returned home from Thomas, W. Va., where they were visiting friends on Friday to attend the funeral of the former's grandfather, A. G. Black.

Miss Hazel Newcomer spent last Wednesday in Rockwood, the guest of Mrs. Coughenour.

Mrs. Laura McDonald returned from a six weeks' visit in Pittsburg and Dayton, O.

Miss Laura Conway, who has been spending the past few weeks with friends in Uniontown, has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Miller and daughters, Helen and Rachael, and Miss Esther Black spent one day last week in Grantsville, Md.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Reigel and son, of Dayton, O., returned home last week, after spending some time with Mrs. Reigel's sister, Mrs. John Trentle, on the West Side.

Mrs. Mary Rush, of Uniontown, was the guest of her niece, Mrs. Fannie Shaffer, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Watson, of Connellsville, are spending several days with Mrs. Watson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Burworth.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Mitchell and daughter, of Connellsville, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Clark last Thursday and Friday.

James Black of Meyersdale, was the guest of friends in town on Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. C. M. Lohr and daughter of Swanton, Md., were the guests of friends in town on Saturday.

Miss Louise Grant of New York, stopped off in town on Sunday, while on her way to Addison.

Emmert Miller, who has been employed as clerk in McKees Rocks, for some time, spent Saturday and Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Miller.

E. J. McDonald and Guy Wright of Addison, were in town on business, Saturday.

Ray Hook of Pittsburg, is spending several weeks with Mr. and Mrs. V. M. Black.

Miss Susan Bowlin, who teaches in the public schools in Homestead, left Saturday morning to take charge of her school.

Miss Mina Sullivan of Connellsville, was visiting friends here last week.

PINE HILL

Aug. 24—Mr. and Mrs. Ray Walker were visitors at Peter Baer's over Sunday.

The Reformed picnic at the Pine Hill grove was largely attended, they sold all their fruit and fared well.

Dalton Handwerk is working for F. A. Handwerk at present.

The hum of the threshers is heard in our midst.

Dalton Handwerk, who had an attack of typhoid fever, is noticed up and around again.

Quite a number of our folks attended the Lutheran Reunion at Rockwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Rhoads were visitors at Peter Baer's, Sr. over Sunday.

John Christner, of Garrett, was seen in Pine Hill on Saturday to visit some of his old comrades.

SHAW MINES

The farmers are about done cutting their oats.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Thompson, of Meyersdale, were visiting Mrs. Thompson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Huston, on Sunday.

Mrs. Walter Bowman and son Earl returned home from West Virginia, where they had been visiting friends.

Mrs. Malinda Hall and daughter, Mabel, who had been visiting for some time at Walter Bowman's, left for Akron, O., on Saturday.

Misses Madeline Reynolds and Orpha Fike, of this place, and Misses Maud and Ruth Cummons, of Roumania, attended the Brethren Sunday School picnic at Riverside Park on last Friday.

Mrs. Meeham's father had been a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Meeham last week.

Our Sunday School had their picnic at Riverside Park on Tuesday.

CASSELMAN

Mrs. Hart, of this place, is visiting friends and relatives in Ohio.

Rev. E. F. House, pastor of the U. B. church, is able to be around again after a siege of typhoid fever.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Felt and children, Eleanor and Earl, of Johnstown, are the guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Uphouse of this place.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Whipkey and family, who for the past few months have been located at New Manchester, Ind., have returned to their home here.

Miss Ida Schrock, of Kingswood, is the guest of friends and relatives of this place.

Mr. Shealer, of Somerset, was a Casseleman caller Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Rice have left Casseleman on a two week's vacation trip.

Mrs. Fern Vaughn, of North Carolina, is a guest at the home of Mrs. Scott Cupp of this place.

Miss Naomi Weimer entertained a number of her friends last Thursday evening. The evening was spent in games and music, instrumental and vocal, which was enjoyed by all. At 11 o'clock a dainty luncheon was served. The following guests were present, Misses Naomi Weimer, Maud Lephart, Lillian Shanks, Irene Van-Sickel, Carrie House, Hazel House, Stella Cramer, Leora Cramer, Idella Weimer, all of Casseleman, Misses Pearl Burns, of Hyndman, Ida Schrock, of Kingwood, and Mrs. Chas. Burns, of Casseleman.

Messrs. Harry Weimer, Raulson Whipkey, Russel Dunbar, Orville Heinbaugh, Howard Heinbaugh, Clarence Trout and Charles Burns, of Casseleman, and A. J. Orledge, of Braddock, and Mr. Shealer, of Somerset.

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SUMMIT TOWNSHIP

On next Monday our public schools will open when every boy and girl in the school age should attend to receive a good education at public expense.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. David Miller, a daughter, last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Shumaker of Springs, were visiting at the home of H. L. Maust, Sunday last.

J. A. Opel and H. E. Hershberger each lost a valuable horse last week.

Mrs. Sweitzer of Waterloo, Iowa, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joel Gnagey at present.

Many people of this township attended the picnic held at Pine Hill last Saturday, and all report a good time.

C. D. Lichty and family and Mrs. Jacob Lichty, visited at the home of F. A. Maust in Salisbury, last Sunday.

M. W. Lindeman, who had been working for J. A. Opel for the last two years, resigned his position and is now working in the mines.

L. A. Kretzman was a Somerset visitor last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Hay were welcome visitors at the home of Jared Walker on Sunday last.

ST. PAUL

(Formerly Keim P. O.)

Aug. 26—Miss Elsie Sipple is home again after an extended visit with her sister, Mrs. Morgan Walker.

The funeral of Mrs. Josiah Engle last Thursday was attended by a very large number of people.

Miss Maggie Kamerer, of Cumberland, visited her brother-in-law, H. G. Lepley, several days last week.

Miss Susie Lowery, of Wheeling, W. Va., spent several days visiting relatives in this vicinity.

Mrs. Baer, H. G. Lepley's housekeeper has gone on a vacation of a few weeks.

Labor Day services will be held at the Reformed church next Sunday morning.

Service at the Lutheran church will be held next Sunday afternoon at 2:30.

CHESTNUT BLIGHT

The Pennsylvania Chestnut Tree Blight Committee has just issued from the press an illustrated bulletin giving a complete description of the chestnut tree blight, a comparatively new tree pest in the United States. It contains information that is deserving of the widest publicity. The publication is timely and invaluable to all timber owners.

The disease is a parasitic fungous growth that girdles trunks, branches and twigs of the chestnut tree, whether large or small, thus killing them. The timber owners of Pennsylvania alone have already suffered financial losses exceeding ten millions of dollars by reason of the destruction wrought by the blight, and as the Pennsylvania Chestnut Tree Blight Commission will shortly discontinue its active work, in consequence to the Legislature having granted an insufficient appropriation for the next two years, those fully acquainted with the disease fear that our invaluable native American chestnut may be entirely exterminated.

An object lesson of special importance consists in the remarkable statement that today there does not exist a single live chestnut tree in greater New York, where the species thrived in great abundance on a few years ago. In Forest Park, New York, a well-known and attractive resort, there were included amongst its wealth of trees over 17,000 chestnut trees, many being of great age and rare beauty. Today not a single chestnut tree remains in that park, all having been destroyed by the blight.

In eastern and southern Pennsylvania counties, many thousands of trees were infected and killed previous to the creation of the Commission. In this section the Commission has endeavored to interest owners in utilizing their diseased trees before they are a total loss. The disease has advanced westward to the central part of the state. No signs are found west of central Somerset, Cambria, Clearfield and Tioga counties. Through the efforts of the Commission, practically all of the disease has been eradicated west of Fulton, Huntingdon, Lycoming and Bradford counties.

The people of Pennsylvania must help themselves in combating the blight and it will require prompt and intelligent cooperative action. It is therefore, of vital importance that owners of chestnut timber should familiarize themselves with the characteristics of the blight and the best methods to wage a successful warfare against it.

At least a dozen other states continue the fight against the disease. The United States Department of Agriculture works in active cooperation believing that its scientific research work will shortly reveal an effective remedy for the eradication of this destructive parasite.

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SAWMILL DESTROYED BY FIRE.

Fire, believed to have been of incendiary origin, early Sunday morning originated in a saw mill at the lumber camp of W. D. Wire on the Dr. Miller tract, about four miles from New Baltimore. The mill was the largest in that section of the county and the loss to Mr. Wire, a resident of Morellville, is estimated at about \$2,500. There is no insurance.

Saturday there had been a number of guests at the camp for dinner and as a result the lumbermen were late in retiring. There was no sign of fire anywhere when the party retired, it is said. About 1:15 o'clock Sunday morning Harry Felix, of Morellville, the sawyer at the camp, discovered the blaze. He claims to have seen an unknown man leaving the mill and taking to the woods. Thinking the figure he saw was Mr. Wire, he did not give chase.

The men at the camp were aroused and an attempt was made to extinguish the blaze which was at first confined to the roof. All efforts in this direction, however, failed, and the mill, with the machinery it contained, was completely destroyed. The lumber was saved without much trouble, the wind favoring the fire fighters.

Mr. Wire expects to install new machinery at once and resume operations on the tract, as there are still remaining several hundred acres to be cut. Several mills will be erected to replace the one that burned as the demand for lumber from the tract is heavy. Mr. Wire was supplying the Brothersvalley Coal company with lumber for the erection of about 30 houses at Macdonaldton and also the firm of Kluntz & Bole of Johnstown.

FARMERS PICNIC.

The farmers north of Somerset will hold a picnic in Boyt's grove next Saturday. Among the speakers for the day will be the Rev. Messrs. Wise and Knepper. The Rebecca quartette will furnish the music.

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Somerset County W. C. T. U. Meeting.

The 29th annual convention of the Women's Christian Temperance Union of Somerset County will be held in the United Evangelical Church at Salisbury August 28 and 29.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, 2 O'CLOCK.

Convention called to order by the President, Mrs. Azubah Jones; Crusade Psalm, responsively; hymn, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name;" prayer, Mrs. Victoria Baumgardner; roll call by the Recording Secretary, Mrs. F. B. Granger; appointment of committees; President's address, Mrs. Azubah Jones, hymn, "A charge to Keep I Have;" annual report of the correspondence secretary, Mrs. Ida Stotler; hymn, "How Firm a Foundation;" address of welcome, Mrs. Victoria Dean; response, Mrs. P. J. Schriver, of Hooversville; address of welcome, Mrs. Levi Lichtler, response, Mrs. Sue Liston, of Meyersdale.

THURSDAY EVENING, 7:30 O'CLOCK
Devotional exercises, Mrs. Jennie Thompson, of Ursina; address of welcome, the Rev. Ira Mann; response, Mrs. Sylvia McJ. Wilson, M. D.; lecture, Mrs. Ella M. George, State President, of Beaver; music, offering and Benediction.

FRIDAY MORNING, 8:30 O'CLOCK.
Executive meeting, convention called to order, music, prayer, Mrs. Emma Cook, Somerset; reading of minutes, report of Treasurer, Mrs. Dr. Hemminger; report of Y. P. B., Mrs. Olive Bowman, Stoyestown; report of L. T. L., Miss Cathryn Cassler, Hollsopple; reports of Superintendents; memorial services and noontide prayer.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, 1:30 O'CLOCK
Convention called to order, music, prayer, Miss Mary L. Anawalt, Stoyestown; reading of minutes, report of Committee on Credentials, election of officers, gaoping of unions, election of delegates to State Convention; report of committees, place of meeting, 1914, bulletin rally, music, "Blest Be the Tie That Binds."

The officers of the association at the present time are as follows: President, Mrs. Azubah Jones; Vice President, Mrs. E. M. Schmutz; Honorary Vice President, Mrs. Lydia McKinley; Recording Secretary, Mrs. F. B. Granger; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Ida Stotler; Treasurer, Mrs. Dr. Hemminger.