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THREE PROMINENT PEOPLE ARE CALLED BY DEATH.

The Grim Reaper Has Been Unusually Active in Meyersdale the Past Week—Those Who Were Called Were Well and Favorably Known.

E. O. L. STOTLER.

The community sustained a severe shock when the intelligence spread that E. O. L. Stotler was seriously ill and not expected to live. Edgar O. L. Stotler was born September 21, 1854, and died February 24, 1914, aged 59 years, 5 months and 3 days.

He was born in Allegheny county, Maryland. Since 1897 he lived in Meyersdale and was engaged in mine operating.

Mr. Stotler was an authority on coal, having spent his entire life in mining and marketing of coal. He was president and general manager of the Randolph Coal company, main office near Boswell; secretary, treasurer and general manager of the Meyersdale Fuel Co., office at Meyersdale, and president of the Harrison Coal Co., office near Grafton, W. Va.

On Tuesday morning he complained of suffering with neuralgia. The members of his family urged him not to go to the mine, but leaving at about 6:45 for the Yoder mine and arriving there about 8:00 o'clock, and while engaged in unhitching his horse he fell over—death coming in a few minutes time. Dr. Rowe of Meyersdale, and Dr. Swank of Salisbury, were hastily summoned but death had done its work and without regaining consciousness, he passed away. Mr. Stotler had not been in his normal health. Sometime ago the family physician made an examination and pronounced his condition that of heart trouble. He kept his real condition from his family. A few weeks ago he and Mrs. Stotler took a trip to Atlantic City, returning west, they spent several days at Cumberlond, and returned to Meyersdale last Friday evening.

He was married to Kate Long of near Frostburg, Md., April 2, 1877. To this union was born a family of nine children, two of whom died in infancy. The following are closely related to the deceased and are left to mourn his departure:—His aged step mother, Mrs. J. J. Stotler, his widow, and the following children:—Galloway, Frank, Edgar, Clade, Leslie and Wilbur, and Miss Mary. The brothers and sisters are Clayton Stotler of Salisbury, W. H. Stotler, Mrs. A. T. Hamill, and Mrs. P. W. Geidt of Meyersdale, and Mrs. Demetrius Compton of St. Paul.

The funeral service will be held on Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the family residence. The pastor, Rev. G. A. Need, will officiate. Interment will be made in the Union cemetery.

As a business man, Mr. Stotler had the confidence of the business fraternity, socially he was well liked and popular. The circles to which he belonged will greatly miss him.

KATE HOBLITZELL BOWMAN.

Mrs. Kate Hoblitzell Bowman, a member of one of Meyersdale's best known families, passed away on Monday afternoon at 3:15 o'clock after suffering with impaired health and general failing for several years. She was a daughter of the late J. J. Hoblitzell and the widow of Dr. Jacob Z. Bowman. She was married to Dr. Bowman on July 9, 1889, and about five weeks after, while on their bridal tour, Dr. Bowman took sick and died. This affliction occurred nearly twenty-five years ago. Mrs. Bowman was born in Addison, Pa. Most of her early life was spent in Frostburg, Md. Since 1881, the family has resided in Meyersdale, and has been one of the best known and most prominent families for a generation.

Mrs. Bowman is survived by the following brothers and sisters:—W. T. J. R., and Frank W. Hoblitzell of Meyersdale, Mrs. W. S. Ravenscroft of Ridgeway, Pa., Mrs. Kennedy Price of Meyersdale, and Mrs. Hugh Ross of Woodbine, Pa.

From her early years, Mrs. Bowman had been a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. The funeral services will be held at the residence of Mrs. Price, she having been a member of her family since July 1, 1913, this (Thursday) afternoon at 4:00 o'clock. Rev. G. A. Need, her pastor, assisted by Rev. Dr. Truxal, will conduct the services. Interment will be in the Union cemetery.

The following out-of-town relatives and friends attended the funeral:—Dr. John C. Bowman, Lancaster; Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Ross, Woodbine, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. James H. Price, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McClelland, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Cramer, Uniontown; Mrs. G. M. Hoblitzell, L. C. Colborn, and Miss Colborn of Somerset; Harry Horton Smith, West Hickory, Pa.; Mrs. S. A. Kendall, Washington, D. C.; George Wilson, Miss Wilson, and Mrs. John Taylor, of Frostburg, Md., and Mrs. Phil Shaffer of Berlin, Pa.

ALBERT KOEPEE.

Albert Koeppe of Lincoln avenue, died on Monday evening. He was born in Berlin, Germany, April 25, 1850. He was twice married, first to Annie Wahl. His second wife was Elizabeth Ackerman, to whom he was married January 2, 1906. In August 1907, he moved to Jersey shore, Pa., where he engaged in the hotel business, returning to Meyersdale in April 1913, where he had since lived a retired life.

The funeral was held this morning. He is survived by his widow, two step-daughters, Mrs. A. H. Siehl, and Mrs. W. H. Eisler, and one brother, who is a prominent physician and surgeon in Berlin Germany. During the Franco-Prussian war Albert Koeppe was a second lieutenant, but deserted the army because he had hit a superior officer with a sabre and came to America. Mr. Koeppe belonged to a noted German family and was a man of more than average ability.

LODGED IN JAIL.

L. A. Waddy, a typewriter agent, has been lodged in jail on a charge of larceny by bailee, preferred against him by S. K. McClure, of Pittsburgh. Waddy was arrested in Meyersdale and being unable to furnish bail Justice of the Peace William H. Hay committed him to the county jail. Waddy is alleged to have made a practice of putting up a new typewriter for \$15 or \$20 in money, promising to redeem them when he received his monthly paycheck.

CONCERT RENDERED.

On Wednesday evening, in the Reformed Sunday school building, under the auspices of the Epworth League of the Methodist Episcopal Church, the Chatham Concert Company rendered a very interesting and instructive program. The audience was not as large as was desired by this excellent troupe, but, nevertheless, it was a very appreciative one. The company consisted of a violinist, two soloists and one dramatic reader. After the rendition was completed, the ladies of the Reformed Aid society served refreshments in the basement of the Sunday school room.

MOOSEHEART PICTURES

The special feature at the Pastime Theatre next Tuesday night will be the Mooseheart pictures, and a large crowd is anticipated. Besides the Mooseheart pictures there will also be shown many interesting scenes of the 1913 National Convention, L. O. O. M., held at Cincinnati, O. While everybody is cordially invited, a special invitation is extended to the ministers and educators of the town to be present, as the pictures to be seen will most surely appeal to them. There is an object lesson in every picture and they are sure to please the most critical. Women and children will be delighted as they are very much in evidence in the pictures. Don't fail to see them, and don't let anything keep you away. Music will be furnished by the Moose band and orchestra, which means the best. SAXE.

CIVIC LEAGUE MEETING.

The regular monthly meeting of the Civic League will be held in the Assembly Hall, of the High School, on Tuesday evening. A full attendance is desired.

PARENTS' DAY AT THE SCHOOLS

The following is the report of Parents' Day in the Public Schools of Meyersdale, February 20, 1914.

HIGH SCHOOL.
Prof. L. D. Crunkleton, Prin. History, Algebra, Commercial Law.
Prof. J. H. Coleman, Geometry, Algebra, Physics, Civics.
Miss Alice M. Hanford, Latin and English.

Miss Rena Lanver, Drawing, Commercial Subjects and Biology.
Miss Evalyn Truxal, German and English.

Directors present..... 4
Parents of pupils in the school..... 4
Other visitors..... 230
Total number of visitors..... 234
Pupils enrolled..... 112
Pupils present..... 107

Ninth and Eighth Grades—Miss Edith Wilhelm, Prin. of the Building, Arithmetic and Writing. Miss Eva Hoover, Grammar, English, Classics, Penna. Ct. Miss Louise Floto, Geography, History and Spelling.

Miss Wilhelm—
Directors present..... 4
Parents of pupils in the room..... 14
Other visitors..... 282
Total number of visitors..... 286
Pupils enrolled..... 300
Pupils present..... 21

Miss Hoover—
Directors present..... 4
Parents of pupils in the room..... 12
Other visitors..... 284
Total number of visitors..... 296
Pupils enrolled..... 300
Pupils present..... 19

Miss Floto—
Directors present..... 4
Parents of pupils in the room..... 34
Other visitors..... 262
Total number of visitors..... 266
Pupils enrolled..... 400
Pupils present..... 39

Seventh Grade, Miss Mame Platt—
Directors present..... 4
Parents of pupils in the room..... 20
Other visitors..... 168
Total number of visitors..... 172
Pupils enrolled..... 201
Pupils present..... 40

Seventh Grade, Miss Ellen Lint—
Directors present..... 4
Parents of pupil in the room..... 23
Other visitors..... 200
Total number of visitors..... 227
Pupils enrolled..... 225
Pupils present..... 36

Sixth Grade, Miss Emma Hostetler—
Directors present..... 4
Parents of pupils in the room..... 25
Other visitors..... 126
Total number of visitors..... 155
Pupils enrolled..... 38
Pupils present..... 38

Sixth Grade, Miss Marion Leydig—
Directors present..... 4
Parents of pupils in the room..... 15
Other visitors..... 129
Total number of visitors..... 148
Pupils enrolled..... 40
Pupils present..... 35

Fifth Grade, Miss Hester Meyers—
Directors present..... 4
Parents of pupils in the room..... 32
Other visitors..... 272
Total number of visitors..... 280
Pupils enrolled..... 47
Pupils present..... 44

Fifth Grade, Miss Marie Crowe—
Directors present..... 4
Parents of pupils in the room..... 23
Other visitors..... 254
Total number of visitors..... 281
Pupils enrolled..... 45
Pupils present..... 42

Fourth Grade, Miss Nelle Dom—
Directors present..... 4
Parents of pupils in the room..... 33
Other visitors..... 158
Total number of visitors..... 195
Pupils enrolled..... 47
Pupils present..... 43

Fourth Grade, Miss Susan N. Baer—
Directors present..... 2
Parents of pupils in the room..... 16
Other visitors..... 57
Total number of visitors..... 75
Pupils enrolled..... 38
Pupils present..... 33

Third Grade, Miss Martha Deist—
Directors present..... 4
Parents of pupils in the room..... 22
Other visitors..... 137
Total number of visitors..... 163
Pupils enrolled..... 48
Pupils present..... 47

Third Grade, Miss Kate Coulehan, Prin. of South Side Building—
Directors present..... 2
Parents of pupils in the room..... 18
Other visitors..... 56
Total number of visitors..... 76

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DEATH'S HARVEST.

DENNIS J. STEVANUS.

Dennis J. Stevanus, second son of Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah S. Stevanus, was born in Elk Lick township, May 7, 1880, died at the Miners' hospital, in Frostburg, on Sunday, February 15, 1914, and was therefore aged 33 years, 9 months, and 8 days old. He was taken to the hospital not quite a week before to be treated for typhoid fever but got worse rapidly until the end came.

On account of the snow blocked roads, Wm. Winterberg, the Grantsville undertaker could not bring the remains to Grantsville until Tuesday and the funeral which was to be held on Tuesday afternoon was postponed until Wednesday afternoon when a large concourse of relatives and friends assembled at the Springs Memorial church to pay their last respects to the departed. Preachers G. D. and Noah Miller preached the funeral sermon which was pathetic and yet comforting to the many bereaved.

Besides the parents afore mentioned, the deceased is survived by his wife, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elias S. Miller, and three small children, the youngest being about seven months old and the eldest five years old, also by the following brothers and sisters: Wilbert B. of Salisbury, Sherman G. of Sugar Creek, Ohio, Howard W. of Heston, Kan., Mrs. Lloyd H. Miller of Elk Lick township, and Mrs. Clarence Hetrick of Garrett county, Md.

Before his marriage Mr. Stevanus learned the tinner and carpenter trade and later embarked in that business for himself. After his marriage he purchased a property at Grantsville, where he resided with his family when he was stricken with the illness that terminated in his death so soon after. He was successful in business, was industrious, generous and scrupulously honest and will be much missed not only by his family to whom he was a kind and loving husband and father, but by the neighborhood and church. He was from boyhood a member of the Mennonite church and often sang in choirs of other churches and in other ways helped the cause of Christianity. His remains were laid in their last resting place in the cemetery at Springs where, may peace be to his ashes.

EDWARD E. LEWIS.

On Saturday afternoon, February 21st, the funeral of Mr. Edward E. Lewis, had died in Akron, Ohio, of paralysis, was conducted from Reich's Undertaking Establishment by H. L. Goughnour. Interment was made in Union cemetery.

Mr. Lewis, was aged 43 years, and was the oldest son of Mrs. Ruth A. Lewis, whose residence is on High street, of our town. Two of the brothers of the deceased were present at the funeral, Harry Lewis, of McKeesport and David of Wilmerding as were also his two sons, Harry who resides at Hyndman and Lester, of Johnstown.

In addition to the above, Mr. Lewis, is survived by a daughter, Margaret, whose home is in Johnstown, and two sisters Mrs. Anna VonMoose, of Akron, Ohio, and Mrs. Grace Eicher, of Somerset. A sad feature of the funeral was that the mother and the two sisters of the deceased were unable to attend it because of illness.

ELIZABETH HERSHBARGER STEVANUS.

Mrs. Elizabeth Hershberger Stevanus, wife of Jeremiah S. Stevanus, died at the Stevanus home in Elk Lick twp., Tuesday morning February 24th, 1914, at the age of 65 years, 7 months and 15 days. She had helped to nurse her son and his family, while they had typhoid fever and about five weeks ago she contracted the disease which terminated in her demise, after weeks of patient suffering. Owing to her condition she was not told of the death and burial of her son Dennis, and passed away, not knowing that he had preceded her to the eternal world.

Funeral services will be held in the Mennonite church at Springs, of which she was a member since early girlhood, on Thursday morning at 10 o'clock.

Deceased was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah Hershberger. She is survived by her husband, and the following children:—Wilbert of Salisbury, Sherman, Sugar Creek, Ohio, Howard, Heston, Kansas, Mrs. Lloyd H. Miller, Springs, and Mrs. Clarence Hetrick Garrett county.

The youngest child died when two years old. She is also survived by foster daughter who is also her niece, Mrs. Suhrie Hetrick. One brother, Elias Hershberger, of Trent, Somerset county and the following sisters mourn the departed sister; Mrs. Susan Stevanus of Berlin and Mrs. Sarah King of Springs. Mrs. Stevanus will be much missed by her family. She was always much concerned about the welfare of her children and was always at her post of duty in her home.

MRS. CASPER WAHL.

Keren H. McKinley was born at Salisbury, March 13, 1851. She was a daughter of Arthur and Ruhannah. She was married to Casper Wahl in the year 1881.

She leaves to mourn her departure her husband, two sisters Miss Jenette H. McKinley and Mrs. Anna Hart Shaffer, both living in California; one sister, Mrs. Lomasine McDowell, at Salisbury; two brothers, Dr. H. C. McKinley of Meyersdale, and Steven R., at Salisbury.

The funeral was held on Wednesday morning at Salisbury, Rev. L. P. Young, of the Lutheran church, her pastor, officiating.

ALMOST A TRAGEDY.

Bert Tressler, one of Meyersdale's well-known and reliable men, through worrying, primarily due, to financial matters, became mentally unbalanced on Monday and in a frenzy struck his wife with a cold iron cutter, who fell unconscious at his feet. He then turned the implement upon himself, lacerating his head so that it required nearly fifty stitches, at the hands of Dr. McMillen.

Mr. Tressler has been getting along fairly well since, while his wife is around as usual.

The community was very sorry to learn of Mr. Tressler's mental condition and all are hopeful that in due course of time he may be in his usual mental and physical condition.

FOR STATE SENATE.

The Hon. Amos W. Knepper of Somerset, is again able to be about following a serious accident. Mr. Knepper two weeks ago fell through a hole in the haymow of his barn which was covered with hay and which he was unable to see. He escaped without serious injury, no bones being broken, but he was severely shaken up. Mr. Knepper has announced his candidacy for State Senator in the Somerset-Bedford-Fulton Senatorial district. Other probable candidates for State Senator are the Hon. James W. Endsley, of Somerfield; Hon. Charles J. Hemminger of Rockwood; Hon. William Henry Mille of Stoyestown; Hon. J. H. Longenecker of Bedford, and Attorney Alvin Little of Bedford.

NEARLY FROZE TO DEATH.

Frank Friedline, of Somerset, had a narrow escape from freezing to death the other night when he reached his home three miles southeast of Somerset unable to extricate himself from his buggy. It was a very cold night and when Mr. Friedline started for his home someone tied him to his buggy so he would not fall out. His faithful horse took him home, and the animal's neighing attracted the attention of Simon Barron, a neighbor. Barron found Friedline helpless. His right foot was frozen and he suffered greatly from his experience.

CONFERENCE AT ROCKWOOD.

The 20th annual convention of the Somerset district of the Pittsburgh conference of the United Evangelical church will be held at Rockwood on May 18th to 21st, inclusive. The convention will open with a sermon by the Rev. M. E. Borger, of Wilkingsburg.

FOR NATIONAL PROHIBITION.

W. H. Likins, the well-known Prohibition leader of Uniontown, is in Somerset this week enlisting aid in his effort to secure national prohibition of the sale and transportation of intoxicating liquors. His plan is to secure written pledges from 5,000,000 voters not to support any candidate or political party not declaring against the liquor traffic. He delivered addresses in the United Evangelical and Methodist Episcopal churches on Sunday. Hundreds of people signed the Prohibition pledges.

UNION SERVICES.

The first Sunday evening Union Meeting of all the Protestant churches of Meyersdale will be held this coming Sunday evening in the Sunday school building of the Reformed church. The purpose of these union services is to draw the churches closer together and bring them into closer touch with the general life of the town. It is a great step in the direction of practical co-operation, which all realize is one of the greatest needs of the Protestant churches.

Following is the program:—
Hymn—"All Hail the Power of Jesus Name".
Invocation Dr. A. E. Truxal.
Special Music.
Scripture Reading—Rev. J. A. Hopkins.

Hymn—"I Need Thee Every Hour." Prayer—Rev. H. L. Goughnour.
Offering and Announcements.
Solo—Mr. Carl Leita.
Sermon—"Taste, in its Relation to Character"—Rev. A. A. Need.
Prayer.
Hymn—America.
Invocation.

It is desired that all shall bring their own hymn-book, as the hymns that will be used will be the familiar ones that are found in practically all hymnals.

All the people of Meyersdale are hereby urged to give most loyal support to these meetings. It is an effort on the part of the ministers to advance the Cause of Christ along every line of human life. Every person interested in the church and in human life should be present. If the people more than fit the building in which the meeting is held, we will have larger plans for the next union service. That is what we anticipate.
H. L. Goughnour, Sec. of Ministerial Association.

FROM DR. TRUXAL.

If the people in the churches and those without:

The Ministerial Association desires to confront you with matters pertaining to your own personal interests and those of the community, and has arranged for stated union services for the purpose, to be held every two months. You are cordially invited to attend these services. The first one will be held on Sunday evening. Come and bring your neighbor with you. Let the house be filled to overflowing.

FROM REV. NEED.

The Ministerial Association, of Meyersdale, for some time, has been desirous of having the various churches joined together in a more compact manner for more effective service to the community. The time now seems to be ripe for such a movement. It has been arranged accordingly that a union service will be held once every two months. It is sincerely hoped that the people of the town and especially the members of the churches will give this effort on the part of the ministers, their most loyal support. Pray for the services and be sure to come.

ENTERTAINED AT HARNEDSVILLE.

Mrs. E. F. Short of Washington, D. C., while visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Pyles of Harnedsville, entertained a number of the young folks of the village. The evening was spent by playing games and music, after which refreshments were served. All having enjoyed themselves very much, they departed with many thanks to their hostess.

WILLARD MEMORIAL SERVICE.

The postponed meeting of W. C. T. U. was held in the M. E. church on Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Sus Liston, presided. The meeting was a memorial to Frances E. Willard. An excellent program was rendered.

Music—By the Choir.
A Duet, a Recitation and two addresses on the life and work of Miss Willard by Miss Eva Hoover, and Mrs. G. A. Need.

FOR DIVORCE.

Through her attorneys, Berkey and Shaver, Priscilla Holsopple, of Hooversville, today filed a libel in divorce against her husband, Leon F. Holsopple, alleging that he deserted her four years ago. She further charges that he associated with lewd women and has intemperate habits and has not supported her and their five children, aged 21, 19, 17, 14, and 8 years. The couple were married on March 17, 1892.