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## JOHN ALBRIGHT MEETS DEATH MONDAY MORNING

### Meyersdale Railroader Falls Between Train and Concrete Walk at Local Station Receiving Fatal Injuries.

John E. Albright, one of the most highly respected younger men of Meyersdale, on Monday morning was crushed by a train at the B. & O. station at this place, his death resulting a few hours later at the Allegheny hospital in Cumberland.

Mr. Albright as was his custom started about six o'clock for his work at Sand Patch where he has been the very efficient station agent and telegraph operator for several years. He was about to board No. 94 freight train which was in motion, but decided that it was going too fast and in stepping back his feet slipped on the ice and he fell between the concrete walk and the train; he was dragged some distance though not being under the wheels, one of his legs being terribly crushed and the other broken badly. A number of persons at the station witnessed the accident and rushed to his aid. Drs. Lichty and Large were summoned and the awful news telephoned to his wife, who reached her husband's side as quickly as possible. The injured man was perfectly conscious, telling about the accident and saying that he was not suffering. Salisbury Branch engine, No. 1621 conveyed him to Cumberland in order that no time might be lost. It was found that one leg had to be amputated near the hip joint and the operation had been performed, and only about ten minutes required to complete the needed attention when heart failure suddenly caused his untimely death. His stricken wife hurrying to the hospital, was, of

course too late for a last message. John E. Albright was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Albright, of Greenville township, the father dying about a year ago. The deceased was 31 years, 9 months and 25 days old, having been born in Elk Lick township, April 20, 1883. His early life was spent on the farm and after due preparation he taught school for seven terms in Greenville township. Later Mr. Albright attended business college in Cumberland.

Seven years ago he was married to Miss Sadie A. Baer, daughter of the late Isiah Baer, who passed away eight months ago, being found dead in bed. Mrs. Albright's brother was instantly killed about four years ago by the drive wheel of a traction engine flying off and the present fatality seems to be the culmination of a series of dreadful occurrences. Besides the stricken wife there remain in the home a little niece, Pearl Lint who has lived with them for several years. Mr. Albright's mother survives besides two sisters, and one brother Alice, Nancy and Frank. The deceased was a consistent member of the Reformed church, a member of the Masonic Order, of the jurisdiction of the state of Maryland, and also of The Woodmen of the World.

The funeral took place this Thursday at 10 a. m. from his late residence at the corner of Broadway and Center Streets, his pastor, Rev. A. E. Truxal officiating assisted by Rev. D. W. Michael, with interment in Union cemetery, this place.

## HAS TRAVELED THE WORLD OVER

Mr. Oscar Laemert, whose home is at Frostburg, spent several days last week with his friends, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Plitt. Mr. Laemert has been in the service of the U. S. Navy for five years, being a musician on the battleship, New Jersey. He is a fine marksman, having won honors with the rifle. He has sailed around the world and visited among many other places, Palestine. He was in active service during the late trouble with Mexico and had many interesting and thrilling experiences to narrate. Mr. Laemert has re-enlisted for three more years and will meet his ship at New York on March 22 and then will sail immediately for the Pacific coast.

## ENGAGEMENTS ANNOUNCED.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Hay in South Brothersvalley twp. on Saturday, Feb. 13, an announcement of the engagement of their daughter, Lydia Viola, to Rev. W. H. B. Carney, of the Garrett Lutheran church, was made in a delightfully informal manner during a Valentine luncheon, given by Miss Hay to members of her S. S. class and a few intimate friends.

The engagement of Thos. H. Augustine son of Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Augustine, of Uniontown and Miss Ruth Evelyn Duncan, of New York, is announced by the brother of the bride to be.

## BERLIN MAN IS DEAD FROM GUN SHOT WOUND

Charles Bruce, of near Berlin, died Sunday night at the hospital in Connellsville, from a gun shot wound of the head suffered several weeks ago. It is alleged that Bruce was intoxicated and with several companions tried to enter a home near Berlin. The occupant ordered them away and when they failed to go, it is alleged, he fired several shots one of which entered Bruce's head. His assailant was arrested and after a hearing was released on a plea of self defense.

## DAHL—PLASKETT.

Mr. Chas. Dahl, son of Mr. Daniel Dahl, of this place and Miss Effie Praskett, of Lonsaconing, were united in wedlock at the Catholic parsonage on Monday evening by Rev. Brady. Interested witnesses were a brother of the groom, Mr. Alfred Dahl and Miss Maud Bowman. The groom is an industrious and respected citizen, being a baker in the employ of Mr. G. W. Bowman.

Watch and wait for the Nationally Advertised Goods Celebration.

## WOMAN KNOWN HERE DROWNS IN MID-OCEAN

Mrs. Chester M. Knepper, wife of Lieut. Knepper, a retired captain in the navy was swept overboard during a storm on the steamship, Niagara on the evening of February 5th. Every effort was made to save her, but there was no sign of the unfortunate woman. Lieut. Knepper's mother lives in Somerset where the deceased was visited. The couple had been living in France for some time and were on their way to this country.

## MANY DEATHS IN THE COUNTY

MRS. HANNAH BOUCHER GEIGER. Died at her home near Braman, Oklahoma, Feb. 4. She was born April 3, 1824 at Centerville, Pa. At the age of 17 she was married to Henry Aughinbaugh. To this union were born two daughters—Mrs. L. T. Ellis, of Pittsburg and Mrs. Eleanor Ralston, of Meyersdale, who died several years ago. At the age of 20 years, Mrs. Aughinbaugh became a widow; some years afterwards she married S. P. Geiger with whom she journeyed for over three-score years, he having preceded her to the spirit land just a few weeks before her death. There were born to Mr. and Mrs. Geiger eight children, five of whom have died, leaving Mr. C. E. and Miss Ida at home and S. B. Geiger, of Chicago. Interment was made at Blackwell, Okla. Mrs. Chas. Plitt and H. R. Fawner, of Meyersdale, are grand children.

MRS. CHARLES BERKEBILE. Sarah May Young Berkebile, wife of Charles Berkebile, of Johnstown, died Friday morning at ten o'clock, at the Memorial hospital, where she recently underwent an operation. She was in her 30th year. The funeral took place on Monday morning at Hooversville.

Deceased was born at Hooversville in 1886 and was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ewalt Young of Upper Yoder township. She was married nine years ago. Mr. Berkebile survives his wife with two children, William and Rachel.

## NORMAN B. REAM.

Norman B. Ream, a multi-millionaire, of Chicago and New York, and a native of Ursina, died Feb. 9, at the Presbyterian Hospital, New York, after a brief illness. He was in his seventy-first year. Mr. Ream was personally known by scores of Somerset countians and he has frequently helped those in need. After the cyclone at Ursina two years ago, Mr. Ream sent his check for two thousand dollars to help in rebuilding the town. One of his sons is engaged in the coal business at Hooversville. The decedent enlisted in the war as a private and retired a first lieutenant.

## MILLARD HOUPPT.

A son of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Houpt, died in Somerset, on February 10th, at the home of his parents, following a brief illness. He was aged 33. While in an up-town business place on the Monday preceding his death he fainted and was taken to his home in a taxi. He gradually became worse. Death was hastened by the fall received when he fainted from the blow on his head. His parents, and three brothers—Earl, Harry, and Robert survive him.

## JACOB H. BLOUGH

Stricken with paralysis while about to return from the funeral service of Moses K. Johns, Jacob H. Blough of Windber, died following a brief illness. After services in the Berkey church, Mr. Blough was 55 years of age, walked outside and was unhitching his horse when he sank to the ground and was taken home where he grew worse until the end came in a few days.

## MRS. ELIZA WEISEL.

Mrs. Eliza Weisel, widow of Philip Weisel, died Friday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Herman Hattie, near Glencoe, after an illness of several months. She was 80 years old and besides Mrs. Hattie is survived by two other children, Mrs. J. H. Ellenberger, of Boswell, and Mrs. Annie Lenhart, of Monongahela City. The funeral took place Sunday afternoon. (Additional Deaths on Page 4)

It will pay you, please you, to buy your flour and feed from C. E. Deal.

## DR. M'KINLEY WRITES FROM NEW ORLEANS.

To The Commercial—I believe that I told you I might write you after I had been to Paradis; as we have a very sick baby at our house my visit will be indefinitely postponed.

We are domiciled on Napoleon avenue, New Orleans. From this avenue down the river extending over ten blocks to Louisiana avenue extends the Illinois Central railroad wharf, is, perhaps the most extensive grain elevator system along this great river. At this wharf thousands of horses for the warring nations are unloaded from the cars and then transported to vessels for transport. 800 were placed in one ship; 685 in another and 585 in another. A few days ago the corral was emptied; now it is well filled up again. It is an interesting sight to see them being unloaded from the cars and after awhile dropped into the vessel.

To-day I saw six foreign vessels loading with wheat and cotton for Europe and other ports.

Along the river a block farther up are the Otis Lumber Mills, the largest Mahogany lumber mills in the world, there being cut from 25,000 to 30,000 feet, daily and assorted for shipment to all parts of the United States. Vessels arrive every week from Mexico, Cuba, Honduras, carrying from 700 to 1,000 large logs. The Honduras mahogany is lighter in color and a degree softer than that from Mexico and Cuba. I inquired the price of a board 14 inches wide by 4 feet in length; was told it was worth \$1.25 at this rate there must be millions of dollars' worth in the extensive yards which cover several blocks.

The weather is fine. Half a day spent in Audubon Park where flowers are in bloom and the park filled with people, was a revelation to us "up North people."

The sun shone all day on Feb. 2nd, and his "Hogship" could have covered all day long in the white clover patch, as there are no groundhogs here he could not see his shadow; all kinds of flowers instead.

Louisiana oranges picked last fall sell for 20 to 35 cents per dozen, except the Louisiana navals, which bring the highest price of any in the country, even as high as 75 cents to \$1.00 per dozen; they are very sweet and very large.

We scarcely realize that we arrived here just a week ago to-day. I think it pays to come South in the winter.

Sincerely  
H. C. M'KINLEY.

## TIME OF MAPLE SYR-UP IS NOW AT HAND

The sugar maple sap is beginning to run and the farmers are making preparations for this sweet product which makes Somerset county almost noted along this line. The maple syrup crop here is estimated at from \$75,000 to \$100,000 annually.

In some sections the sap has been rising for days, with the advent of warm weather and the disappearance of the snow.

One of the most interesting features of this year's sugar camp news is that "bricks" will prevail in the marketed commodity. Instead of making loose sugar and syrup chiefly as heretofore the sweets are being made into brick shapes. These are most easily handled and the sugar and the sugar shapes can very easily be reduced to syrup. There is, of course, both regulation sugar and the taffy-like spotza. Stores are displaying great stacks of the bricks.

Methodist Church—Revival services in progress with many penitents at the altar. Special sermon on 'Amusements' more especially to the young people on Friday evening. Mass meeting to men on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The other services at the usual time.

Brethren Church—Preaching Services on February 21 at Salisbury in the morning; Summit Mills in the afternoon and Meyersdale in the evening. Subject: "A Pullman to Perdition." Sunday School and C. E. at the usual time.

H. L. GOUGHENOUR, Pastor.

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Just received a car load of the Golden Grain Alfalfa Horse Feed, much cheaper than oats. Guaranteed 100 per cent pure. —For Sale by C. E. Deal.

Larro Dairy Feed is not the cheapest feed on the market, but the best for the money. Try it. At C. E. Deal's.

## CASES FOR MARCH COURT

### Those Who Have Fallen Into the Toils of the Law. Two Murder Cases to Come Up for Trial.

District Attorney Saylor Tuesday completed the list of cases for trial at the March term of court, which will be taken up by the grand jury in the following order:

Monday—Mrs. Joseph Glaysicwic, charged with larceny, Mary Wisniewska, prosecutrix; Adam Zaklukiwich, John Ziemia and Stanley August, assault and battery, Joseph Fabish, prosecutrix; Archibald Miller, polluting public streams, Raymond McIntosh, prosecutrix; Steve Budinski, assault and battery, Annie Harcobble, prosecutrix; Irvin I Good, larceny, David E. Green, prosecutrix; Steve Turocki and Julia Turocki, larceny by baillee, Caroline Turocki, prosecutrix; Charlie Pohan, assault and battery George Holwa, prosecutrix; Stiney Depowska, assault and battery, George Plonska, prosecutrix; John Zalondek, assault and battery with intent to kill, Joseph Shock, prosecutrix; Abram Ober, selling liquor without license, Harry Thomas, prosecutrix; George W. Hutzel, larceny by baillee, William Criswell, prosecutrix; Singleton D. Collins furnishing liquor to minors, A. J. Previere, prosecutrix; H. H. Baum, disseminating false statements concerning merchandise, Constable G. Newton Shroch, prosecutrix; William McClintock, assault and battery, Ed. trout, assault and battery, William McClintock, prosecutrix; John Muha, false pretense, William Friedline, prosecutrix; Charles Wasnovich and Michael Sharovich, assault and battery; James Albright, larceny, C. J. Lichty, prosecutrix; Joseph Capprose, prosecutrix; William Pile, operating C. McViger, prosecutrix; Ray Madden, desertion, Jennie Madden, prosecutrix

Tuesday—William Day, larceny, Saylor and Milton Saylor, larceny, John Houpt, prosecutrix; George Wasneck furnishing liquor to persons of intemperate habits, Constable Edward Arlman, prosecutrix; John Ubis Jr., assault and battery, John Ubis, Sr. prosecutrix; Lewis Champ, selling liquor without a license, Michael Rayo, prosecutrix; John Lauderman, assault and battery, J. W. Simpson, prosecutrix; Peter Simigka, assault and battery with intent to kill, Max Horn, prosecutrix; Samuel Dubi, mayhem Harry Skibo, prosecutrix; Emil Schmalenk and William Rafferty, robbery, S. W. McMullen, prosecutrix; Isaac Mosholder, offense against morality, Darle Pritts, prosecutrix; Crist Swartzendruber, offense against morality, Margie Viola Miller, prosecutrix; Edward Greybeck, offense against morality, Oleita Lewis, prosecutrix; Harry K. Paul, offense against morality, Mary Ellen Maxwell, prosecutrix; Oran Saylor, offense against morality, Constable R. D. May, prosecutrix; Carrie Stahl, offense against morality, James T. Berkey, Wednesday—Samuel T. Bailey, prosecutrix; Elsie Daley, offense against morality, Constable Ezra M. Scott, prosecutrix; Wm. M. Yates, offense against morality, Ida Belle Lannen, prosecutrix;

Thursday—Thomas Barre, murder, County Detective Lester G. Wagner, prosecutrix; George Tarleton, assaults and battery, Oliver Pritts, prosecutrix; Albert Branden, assault and battery Margaret Znick, prosecutrix;

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Saturday—Necklace with Roman Pearl Beads between Methodist church and the Flaugherly creek bridge on Tuesday evening. Return to Emma Finnegan at the Hartley-Clutton store. Reward.

Lowest Price Feed to day is Beet Pulp. Experts after making most rigid tests say it is the greatest milk producer known. Car has just arrived. For Sale C. E. Deal.

Oil Meal and Cotton Seed Meal by the Car load at lowest prices. For Sale by C. E. DEAL.

## SUPPORT OUR FIRE DEPARTMENT LADDIES

Meyersdale has a volunteer fire service, which means the members of the organization unselfishly respond to calls for the protection of life and property without any compensation whatever. For additional or new equipment they must solicit by subscriptions or hold entertainments.

By the existence of our effective fire department the insurance rate is very much reduced thus saving for the people of the town thousands of dollars annually.

On Monday March 1st., at considerable expense they have secured for this place the famous Arion Band, of Frostburg. The entertainment these musicians furnish is rarely surpassed here and besides by your going you can help the department and will continue to help yourself in good fire protection.

## BOY BADLY HURT IN WOODS

Clarence, the 19-year-old son of Samuel Brant, a farmer living two miles north of Garrett, met with a bad accident on Thursday afternoon. While cutting ties and slicing bark, he missed his aim and cut his foot. The young man was quickly taken to Garrett by his father who was working with him. Dr. W. R. McClellan rendered the necessary surgical attention and twenty-two stitches were required to close the wound.

## SANDPATCH MAN LOSES FOOT UNDER TRAIN

Slipping on the ice while attempting to board a Berlin branch coal train at Raineytown, near Garrett on Sunday afternoon, James Ohler, of Sand Patch fell under the wheels, which passed over one of his feet, necessitating amputation. He was taken to Garrett by the coal train that ran over him and was then sent on to the hospital at Connellsville.

## NEW PHYSICIAN COMING TO MEYERSDALE.

Dr. J. W. Wenzel, of Donegal, Westmoreland county, this state, was a visitor in this place a part of the present week, commencing the purchase of Postmaster Naugle's property on Centre street near the new stone bridge across Flaugherty creek.

Dr. Wenzel has had several year's experience in his profession and he purposes moving to this place about April 1st.

## AMITY REFORMED CHURCH MISSION SERVICE.

A Foreign Mission Service entitled "The Prince of Peace" was held Sunday in the Reformed church of this place, Dr. A. E. Truxal, pastor. The congregation seemed to enter heartily into the service. A good deal of feeling was manifested in the hymns and the prayers. A very appropriate address was made by Prof. D. B. Weaver of our high school. The offering amounted to \$152. This was most commendable when it is considered the heavy expense the congregation has had relative to the remodeling of their church buildings.

## LIBERAL RESPONSE FOR TOWN'S NEEDY ONES.

Those kindly disposed citizens of Meyersdale who have felt for the wants of others who were in need and constituted themselves a committee to see that something practical was done in this respect secured by subscriptions about \$80 and a couple of wagon loads of country produce from some of the farmers living adjacent to the town and from other citizens.

## HURT WALKING ON TOP OF IRON FENCE.

Frederick, the 12-year-old son of Gus Floto, of North street, on Sunday afternoon, was badly hurt while walking, boy-like, along the top of the iron fence at the Kendall home. The lad missed his footing and in falling one of the iron points pierced the bowels. Dr. Rowe was called and after etherizing the boy, stitches were taken to close the wound.

The Landman distillery, a short distance southeast of Somerset Borough, which had been closed since last July, resumed its distillations last Friday. It is said that one hundred barrels of whiskey will be made within the next two months and then the distillery will again be closed for a period.