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DISSATISFACTION AMONG MINERS

Are Asking for Wage Increase of Ten Cents a Ton. Talk of Forming Union.

Quite a great deal of dissatisfaction among the miners in this part of the county has developed, owing to the fact that the miners are asking for an increase in wages of ten cents per ton for pick mining. Organizers have been busy in this section and a union may be formed. Some of the operators say they would prefer a union as a committee would be easier to talk to than the way it is at present. The operators of the Enterprise Coal Company, the Hocking Coal Company and Merrill & Co., at Garrett, have not been working since the first of the year. More than 200 men are idle. The coal diggers at Atlantic No. 2, Blackfield, are idle because the company refuses to grant their demands for an increase in pay. Day men, however, are working there as usual. C. W. Rowe & Co., closed down their Hamilton mine last Saturday in anticipation of a walk-out, the majority of the men agreed to go to work on operations were resumed. A mass meeting of men employed at Boynton was held a few days ago but no definite action was taken. A paper to secure signers for the organization of a union was circulated. It is said, but not many signatures were secured. Several employees of the Consolidation Coal Co. who attended the meeting were discharged. In some places the increase has been granted. Starting last Monday the employees of the Morrellville Coal Mining Company were given the increase. The men working on pick coal will be increased from 55 cents a ton to 65 cents and the company men will get a ten per cent increase. Elsewhere in this issue is an article by one of the miners.

DOUBLE WEDDING

On last Sunday a week ago, Alfred Weimer and family from Salisbury accompanied by Bernard and Martha Weimer of Greenville went to Meyersdale and took the train for Union Bridge, Md., where Joseph Althoff, Mrs. Weimer's father met them and drove to his home near Taneytown to witness the double wedding of two of Mr. Althoff's daughters, making four daughters married. The wedding was celebrated on Tuesday morning, 11th of January between 9 and 10 o'clock in the Catholic church of Taneytown. After the wedding, dinner was served to 74 people; but that is not likely all of the wedding dinners that may yet be served in that home as Mr. Weimer has still five single daughters at home. Alfred Weimer and family returned to Salisbury to their home on Saturday while Bernard and Martha Weimer stopped off at Hancock to go to Berkley Springs where they visited at the home of an uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Breig.

EVANGELICAL ASSOCIATION. Rev. Clewell E. Miller, Pastor, St. John's Church, near Wittenberg: S. S. at 10 a. m. Union prayer meeting on Sunday evening at 7:30—Glencoe, Sunday school at 10 o'clock in the morning; preaching at 2 p. m.; and prayer meeting at 7:30 in the evening—Meyersdale: Sunday School at 9:30 in the morning; Y. P. A. at 6:30 in the evening. Revival meetings continue throughout the coming week. All are cordially invited.

CAR LARABEE'S BEST FLOUR DUE IN A FEW DAYS. STRAIGHT KANSAS PATENT \$7.00 PER BBL. TRY A BAG AND IF IT DOES NOT MAKE THE FINEST BREAD YOU EVER HAD, RETURN IT AND GET YOUR MONEY BACK AT HABEL & PHILLIPS.

BRETHREN CHURCH, Reverend H. L. Goughnour, Pastor.—Church services on January 23 at Salisbury in the morning; Summit Mills in the afternoon; and at Meyersdale in the evening. Sunday School and Christian Endeavor at the usual hours. All are cordially invited.

LOOSE COCOA 25¢ PER LB. AT HABEL & PHILLIPS.

UNION HOTEL CHANGES MANAGEMENT TO-DAY.

The Union Hotel, on Main street, changes hands to-day, the license being transferred to Mr. John Jenkins, of Cumberland, who will have charge on his return from Somerset. Mr. John W. Haley, the retiring proprietor for the past two or three years, will move into the Keystone Hotel on the South Side until he decides what he will do.

THROUGHT THE COUNTY.

The Central City News is a new little paper published once in two weeks by John E. Strayer, the real estate man.

Daniel S. Miller, aged 80 years, died Tuesday at his home in Somerset. He was born in Elk Lick township. His wife and twelve children survive.

The Lutheran Congregation of Rockwood, Dr. John Erler, pastor, are making preparations to erect a splendid edifice. It is hoped that ground can be broken for the structure early this spring.

Mrs. L. C. Colborn, aged 55 years, wife of the well-known attorney of Somerset, died very unexpectedly on Friday evening. Though in delicate health for years, she had been out on the streets the day before. Her husband, one daughter and two sons survive.

Jacob W. Ross, of Berlin, through his attorneys, N. T. Boose and James B. Landis, has filed a suit against Dr. W. P. Shaw, of Berlin, to recover \$10,000 damages. Ross alleges that Dr. Shaw carelessly and negligently treated injuries the plaintiff received in a mine accident last April. Ross says that his leg was broken between the knee and ankle and the hip was dislocated.

Miss Minerva Humbert of Somerset has brought a breach of promise suit against Charles Spence, also of Somerset, to recover \$10,000 damages. The suit carries with it a capias requiring \$1,500 bail. Mr. Spence is night foreman in the Baltimore & Ohio shops in Somerset. The plaintiff alleges that she met him December 1, 1913, and that they became engaged some time during the month. She says that his refusal to marry her has injured her social standing. She also alleges that she has suffered in wounded feelings.

D. H. MANGES DISAPPEARS

D. H. Manges, a drayman in Meyersdale for years has given the public by his departure to points unknown, a genuine surprise. He left on the evening of January 12 and it was then supposed that he would return in a day or two.

Mr. Manges got behind in his accounts and there are many people whom he owes, one a grocery firm for \$80, a doctor and scores of other people. He betrayed the trust and confidence of the B. & O. agent in this place by obtaining a mileage book, \$22.50 promising to pay for the same when he returned in the morning, leaving for Cumberland.

Mr. Manges with his wife and 12-year old son occupied rooms in the Luke Hay home. He abandoned them penniless. His draying outfit was owned by his mother who lives in Somerset and she has instructed Sheriff Wagner to sell the same. Mrs. Manges whose maiden name was Engle, has gone to live with a sister at St. Paul.

Mr. Manges was an obliging and an industrious man. But for this big stroke of his he would have passed for a pretty nice sort of fellow. His debts swamped him and he wanted to escape them and hear no more about them.

CONSOL. TO INCREASE PAY

It is known by some few persons at least that the Consolidation Coal Company purposes increasing the wages of its employees on February 15. How much the advance will be or whether it is to be general is not known as yet by the public. This will in part allay the unrest of the miners and it seems to be just.

GET OUR PRICES ON WINTER WHEAT BRAN, HAMMOND DAIRY FEED, COTTON SEED MEAL, MIDDLING, CHOP etc BY THE TON. WE WILL SAVE YOU MONEY AT HABEL & PHILLIPS

MANY DEATHS IN COUNTY

Some Friends Whom You Knew and Loved Who Have Passed Away Recently in This Vicinity.

GUERNEY E. NEWMAN.

Oldest son of Mrs. Martha Newman of Salisbury, died at his home in Monessen, Pa., on Thursday evening, January 13 after an illness of but two or three days. He took sick with the grip which afterwards developed into pneumonia. He was aged 25 years, 7 months and 5 days.

Mr. Newman was born and grew to manhood in Salisbury and about four years ago he went to seek employment elsewhere and at the time of his death was employed by the Pittsburg Steel Co. at Monessen where he had lived for the past two years. He was married to Miss Tillie A. Hall who with a young child survive him as do his mother and one brother; his father, S. O. Newman, preceded him to the grave several years ago.

The remains were brought to Salisbury and the funeral took place at the home of his mother, Mrs. Martha Newman at 2 p. m., Sunday. Rev. I. S. Mann officiated. Interment was made in the I. O. O. F. cemetery. The funeral service of the I. O. O. F. Lodge of which he was a member, was used at the grave. A number of the members of the Lodge of Salisbury were in attendance at the funeral. The deceased was a young man of good habits and kind disposition and he will be greatly missed by all who knew him, especially his young wife who with her little child, will for the present live with her mother-in-law, Mrs. Martha Newman.

MRS. WM. P. LAIRD

Died Saturday evening at her home in Johnstown after a few weeks' illness, aged 70 years. Deceased was a daughter of John and Sarah Kuntz Penrod and was born near Stoyestown on October 15, 1846. She was one of a family of 14 children, two of whom, Jeremiah and Marin Penrod, served in the Civil War. Miss Penrod came to Johnstown many years ago and was married there on November 3, 1874 to William P. Laird. Ten children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Laird, all of whom are dead except Maud, wife of J. F. Taylor, of Rochester; Misses Edith and Florence Laird, at home, and Clarence Laird, of Wyoming. Mr. Laird also survives his wife, with six grandchildren, a brother, John Penrod, of Johnstown and one sister, Mrs. Mary Penrod Wingard of Johnstown. The deceased had united with the Lutheran Church in Somerset County many years ago.

LEVI J. JODER.

A well and favorably known former citizen of Meyersdale and late of Pine Hill, died on Tuesday and was buried in the Union cemetery in place on Thursday forenoon. Mr. Joder was a boy soldier in the Civil War being aged at the time of his death, 68 years. He was a member of the G. A. R. of Meyersdale. Mr. Joder was twice married, the first wife being Miss Eliza, youngest daughter of John Hostetter. His second wife who survives was Mrs. Cyrus Waller. One daughter, Mrs. Stella Morrison of Chambersburg also survives. There are two living sisters—Mrs. Susan Hoffman of South Fork and Mrs. Carrie Gonder of Johnstown. Mr. Yoder was a blacksmith by trade and foundryman. He moved later to Pine Hill where he was mail carrier. He was a member of the Church of the Brethren. The father of the deceased was famous because of the excellent axes he made.

WILLIAM DABERKO

An aged and respected citizen, of Beachly street, this place, died at 6 A. M. Wednesday following an illness of about three weeks from a paralytic stroke. He was aged 77 years. The deceased was born in Germany and came to this country after manhood's years had been reached. For a number of years he owned a small farm on the mountain side near town and by thrift he managed to get along well. Later he sold the farm for \$1400 and half of this amount he gave to his second wife who is living. While as husband and wife they occupied the same house, each took care of himself or herself.

Mr. Daberko was a consistent Christian and his pastor, Rev. D. W.

ENTERTAINED CONGREGATION

Lutheran Pastor and Wife Delightfully Act as Host and Hostess to Their large Congregation.

Friday evening last was one of the markedly noted occasions of the year for Zion Lutheran Church and its pastor, Rev. D. W. Michael. For it was then that he and his estimable wife tendered a reception to their people in the Brotherhood room, this being their second one given by them since their coming to Meyersdale. The room was prettily decorated with the national colors, plants and ferns. Prof. C. W. Baldwin had charge of the orchestra and Mr. Howard Saylor gave some fine selections on a humanola. This part of the program was much enjoyed.

Rev. Michael received all who entered in an informal manner, he desiring to make the event more like a homecoming for his members. The room was surcharged with humanity and everybody was almost forced to be sociable.

The pastor called the meeting to silence rather than to order as none were in disorder. He said that he was most pleased to have them all present, that now was not the time for long countenances, that all should get acquainted. He introduced other speakers as follows: Editor Livengood of the Republican; Mr. John Stein; Editor Cleaver of the Commercial; Rev. Oney, pastor of the Lutheran church at Salisbury; R. Harry Philson and Clarence Moore, all of whom, with may be one exception, said some interesting and entertaining things.

Refreshments were served ice cream, cake and coffee. The cakes were principally the product of the clergyman's hands and were as fine as are his Sunday discourses, and his week-day greetings. The members of the Luther Brotherhood did the serving and did it well. Such occasions do much to cement pulpit and pew, and unify pastor and congregation. Surely every one there felt at home and each enjoyed himself or herself much in deed.

FLAGMAN SUFFERS LOSS OF THUMB.

R. L. Digman, a flagman on the Western Maryland railroad, on Tuesday, at the local station in coupling a defective connection of one of the cars, having a thumb reduced to pulp. Dr. E. F. Hemminger attended the injured member and had to amputate it. Digman's home is in Cumberland.

KINGAN'S HAMS ARE THE BEST. GET ONE AT HABEL & PHILLIPS

Michael conducted the funeral services at the home to-day. Interment in Union Cemetery, Tressler undertaker.

AUGUST WILDERMAN.

August Wilderman was born in Germany May 31, 1849 and died at his home in Meyersdale, Pa., Jan. 15, 1916, aged 66 years, 7 months and 15 days. Mr. Wilderman came to this country at the age of 21 years and followed his profession as teacher of music for a number of years. About four years ago he was stricken with paralysis and suffered from the same until the time of his death. He is survived by his wife, Margaret Wilderman, nee Domer; four children: Charles August, George Franklin, Herman Albert and Margaret Alice, and one stepson, William Baer. Funeral services were conducted by Reverend Clewell Miller on Monday, January 17.

MRS. HENRY RINGLER

Mrs. Henry Ringler aged about 75 years of age, died Friday morning at her home at Berlin from the effects of grip and other complications. There survive her husband, two daughters, Eva, wife of Benjamin Grindlesperger, of Boswell, Pa.; Mattie, wife of Harvey Sarver, of Garrett, Pa., and three sons, Albert, Robert and William at home.

GEORGE W. BRINHAM

George W. Brinham, of Hyndman, died this morning at six o'clock from cancer after a prolonged illness. He was a member of the Masonic lodge of this place. Funeral services will be held on Saturday, interment at Somerset. The local lodge will have charge of the services.

PROGRAM OF SUMMIT TOWNSHIP INSTITUTE.

The following is the program for the Summit township institute to be held at the Peck School February 5, 1916 to begin at 1 p. m. Song, Help Someone Teaching beginners to read, Margaret Shultz Reading in the Second and Third Grades, Emma Schrock Reading in the Fourth and Fifth Grades, Lillian Selbert Increasing the Child's vocabulary, H. B. Saler Importance of drill in the teaching of reading, Orpha Meyers Proper use of the Dictionary, D. C. Handwerk Training of Memory, Mary E. Fike Recitation, Wreck of the Hesperus Mary L. Cnagay How to create interest in reading, F. E. Witt Importance of visiting the schools, R. C. Engle Use of devices in teaching reading to beginners, Ella Witt Importance of the reading lesson, Lester Sipple Brief sketch of the Life of Longfellow, Anna K. Miller. What should be read? Vanna Beals Solo, Ruth I. Commons Value of poetry, E. R. Hay Composition—Sada Schrock. Outline and Summary of the work in reading, S. C. Witt Song, Brighten the corner.

WAS SCALDED TO DEATH

On Friday afternoon, Elmer E. Bittner, a former resident of Somerset County, was scalded to death at Waitville, W. Va., while working on a "donkey" engine in a lumber camp. With three other men, he was attempting to make repairs to the engine when in some manner it upset. Three of the men were frightfully scalded and another but slightly hurt. Boettner died on the way to the hospital at Roanoke, Va. His wife and one son survive. The funeral took place on Tuesday at Frostburg.

LOCAL BANKS HOLD ANNUAL MEETING.

No change has been made in the board of directors nor in the officers of the two Meyersdale banks for the present year.

Citizens Bank—Directors, S. C. Hartley, F. B. Black, S. A. Kendall, W. N. Moser, W. T. Hoblitzell, H. Bunn Philson, Clarence Moore, S. B. Philson R. H. Philson; officers elected on Friday evening: S. B. Philson, president; S. A. Kendall, vice president; R. H. Philson, cashier; Clarence Moore, assistant cashier. Second National Bank, Directors: N. E. Miller, president; W. H. Habel, vice president; J. H. Bowman, cashier C. Q. Griffith, assistant the latter not a director; J. N. Cover, W. B. Cook; E. C. Kyle, E. M. Berkley, Perry C. Miller, Wilson E. Walker, Wm. P. Meyers.

THE BIJOU

"Growing Better" is what they say and it was the best when it was started. Mr. Hemminger was in Pittsburgh on Wednesday and ordered a 7 piece orchestra player which will be here in a few days. The programs regardless of the weather are pulling big crowds.

The feature to-night is "The Thief," something superior. The programs each night of this week are simply great. Come and judge for yourself.

Moses Yoder of Troy, Ohio, a slate roofer of Troy Ohio, a few days ago, fell from the roof of the county home at Clairdon, Ohio, and was very seriously, and possibly fatally injured. He was rendered unconscious and word was sent to friends in this section of whom, Mr. J. S. Wengert is an acquaintance. Mr. Yoder had been unconscious for 24 hours.

Mr. G. Benford, the grandfather of George H. Benford of this place, was in town on Monday attending to business matters. Some months ago Mr. Benford suffered a paralytic stroke and also a dislocated hip. Since that time he has been in a Cumberland hospital. He was unable to get along without an attendant.

F. L. Wilmoth and Edgar Irwin left on Monday on a business trip to Charlestown, W. Va. They purpose returning home this evening.

MARRIED RECENTLY

Those in Somerset County Who Have Just United Their Fates and Fortunes.

EVANS—MASTERS

On Tuesday, January 18th, at high noon, Miss Anna Grace Masters, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Masters, of Confluence, was united in marriage with Mr. Charles S. Evans, a prominent attorney of Ebensburg, Pa. The wedding was held at the home of the bride's parents in Confluence. Only the immediate relatives of the bride were present, with the single exception of Mrs. Harry B. Snider, of Meyersdale, who has long been an intimate friend of the bride and her sisters. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. H. L. Goughnour, of Meyersdale.

Mr. Masters and family were formerly residents of Meyersdale and have many friends in this community. Mrs. Masters is a daughter of Dr. U. M. Beachly, deceased, one of Meyersdale's pioneer citizens. Those present from a distance were; Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Critchton of Johnstown; Mr. Frank B. Masters, of New York City, and Miss Emma Masters, of Portage.

After the ceremony a sumptuous wedding dinner was served and the newly married couple boarded train No. 16 for Washington, D. C., and to some other points in the east. Upon their return from their honeymoon they will reside in Ebensburg.

MILLER—BROADWATER

Mr. Henry C. Miller and Miss Irene, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Broadwater, of near Glencoe, were united in marriage on Tuesday noon at the bride's home by Rev. A. S. Kresge. Dinner was then served to the guests. It was a family affair and those besides the members of the family present were Mr. and Mrs. Howard Broadwater, Robert, Frank, Edward, Luke and Miss Florence Broadwater, and Mrs. Henry Miller. The groom was formerly engaged in the mercantile business at Johnsburg. He now has a position in Cumberland where they will reside. The bride is a charming and estimable young woman.

POORBAUGH—DIEST

At high noon to-day with perhaps 75 guests present, Rev. A. S. Kresge the officiating clergyman, Mr. John P. Poorbaugh and Miss Florence Diest were united in wedlock at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Diest, of near Glencoe.

ALBRIGHT—YAIST.

At the Brethren parsonage on Sunday evening, January 16, Mr. Melvin Albright of the South Side and Miss Della Yaist, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Yaist of Transmeyer were united in marriage by Rev. H. L. Goughnour. The bride and groom are highly respected young people and enjoy the best wishes of a host of friends.

PYTHIAN OFFICERS

The following are the recently installed Knights of Pythias of Meyersdale: Chancellor Commander, Henry Kuhs; Vice Chancellor, Henry Engle; Prelate, Dennis Kniernier; Master at Arms, William Yutz; Master of Exchequer, J. A. Saylor; Master of Finance, P. H. Weimer; Trustees—C. J. Bowmaster, Howard Saylor; H. M. Weimer; Keeper of Records and Seal, Irvin Schrock; Inner Guard, Jos Hersh; Outer Guard, L. P. Sleh.

W. C. T. U. LECTURER COMING.

Miss Louise E. Hollister, a national organizer and lecturer for the W. C. T. U., expects to be in Meyersdale in about two weeks to lecture in the Methodist church.

Miss Hollister is a most eloquent speaker and of charming personality and all who hear her will be delighted with her lecture.

WOODMEN INSTALL OFFICERS.

On Tuesday evening, the Woodmen of this place inducted into office the following for the next term: Council, Jacob Spaugy; adviser, J. M. Schlicht treasurer, Conrad Kniernier; past council, Valentine Gress; escort, A. H. Johnson; clerk, W. H. Holshu; physician, Dr. Bruce Lichty.