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## NEW COMPANY TAKES OVER KEYSTONE MINES

Atlantic Big Vein Company To Increase Output from 400 Tons to 1000 Tons Daily. Will Be a Great Boon to This Community.

**STOCKHOLDERS FORMING THE NEW COMPANY**  
One of the really big business transactions in this section occurring lately or for that matter for several years took place last Thursday when The Atlantic Coal Company with offices in the Citizens National Bank building, took possession of the Keystone mines and all property pertaining to the same. This change industrially for this community will mean much. The present output of these mines is about 400 tons daily, which will be increased to 1,000. At present there are perhaps about 100 men employed, but under the new management over twice that number will be required, a little later when extensive improvements are to be made. The negotiations consummated are in the nature of a lease and will be operative until about all of the coal is exhausted. The tract embodies 250 acres and contains what is known as the Big Vein, about ten feet in thickness and reasonable computations would fix the amount of coal to be mined at about two million tons which would require from eight to twelve years to exhaust. The official name of the new company and its stockholders are F. B. Black, W. T. Hoblitzell, J. J. Hoblitzell, Jr. and J. Milton Black. There has been no organization effected as yet. The president of the Keystone Company at the time of the transfer was J. E. Baker and Mrs. E. J. Weld, of this place, has been a large stockholder. The late Geo. F. Baer of the Reading Railroad Company at the time of his death was the president of the Keystone Company. The Atlantic Coal Company which is controlled by about the same men as the Atlantic Big Vein Coal Company has other interests at Boswell and at Blackfield but hitherto their operations were of no marked benefit to this community and one of the managers who is much interested in this section of the county expressed himself as much gratified that now one of their operations would especially be a boon to this community. At the same time it is to be hoped that the public will be appreciative of this enlarged enterprise.

## MANY DEATHS IN COUNTY

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

**SIMON H. MARTEENY.**  
One of this community's highly esteemed citizens, Simon H. Marteeny died at the hospital in Cumberland on Friday last at which place he had gone two weeks preceding his death for an operation for double hernia. The operation had been successfully performed and the incisions made were healing very satisfactorily when a clot of blood was formed on his brain resulting in his death. The deceased was born at Berkeley's Mill, September 15, 1851, making his age 64 years, 2 months and 6 days. On December 17, 1876 he was united in marriage to Miss Elizabeth Fike who survives him as do the following children: Elias, now owning the valuable homestead farm, just outside the borough limits on the north, which place the elder Mr. Marteeny purchased the year of his marriage; Ada, Mrs. Ira C. Fike; and Annie, Mrs. Howard F. Speicher; eight grandchildren are living; and one brother and three sisters: W. S. Marteeny and Mrs. Sarah A. Brown, of Lagrange, Ind.; Mrs. Peter Shultz, of Berlin; Mrs. Henry T. Raub of South Bethlehem, Pa.

## GOVERNOR ISSUES

**A PROCLAMATION**  
Governor Martin G. Brumbaugh has issued a proclamation calling upon the people of Pennsylvania to set aside January 27 as a day on which to make donations for the relief of the Jews in the various countries at war.

The governor paid a tribute to the Jews and urged that the document be read in the churches of the State on Sunday and that wherever possible local committees take charge of the collection of contributions and that where there are no such committees they are to be formed.

The governor's proclamation is as follows: "Whereas, It has been convincingly established that there are 9,000,000 Jews in the countries now involved in the great war, and that the majority of these people through no fault of their own are homeless, without food shelter or clothing, and that, therefore, they are in such immediate need of relief that it behoves all good citizens to bear this cry of human suffering and distress; and

**Pennsylvanians Generous**  
"Whereas, The people of Pennsylvania always generous, magnanimous and sympathetic, will I am confident be glad to aid a race which has given such loyal and substantial contributions of service and efficiency to our Commonwealth:

"Now, Therefore, I, Martin G. Brumbaugh, Governor of this Commonwealth, in harmony with the suggestion of the President of the United States do appoint and set aside, Thursday, January 27, 1916 as a day on which all our people may make such contributions to this stricken people as they may after prayerful consideration find it wise and proper to make.

Where there are accredited local committees organized in the several communities I suggest that our gifts be sent to such committees and where no such committee exists I suggest in harmony with the President, that contributions be sent to the American Red Cross, Washington.

## CONDUCTOR WILLIAM BOWLIN KILLED BY FAST TRAIN

Widely Known Railroad Man, Native of Confluence, Meets Death in Terrible Form Friday Morning in Baltimore & Ohio Service Since Boyhood.

**PARENTS AND OTHER RELATIVES IN THIS COUNTY**  
Conductor William Bowlin, of Baltimore & Ohio train No. 8 was stuck and instantly killed Friday Morning about 4:20 o'clock while he was walking back to Mount Savage to telegraph the breaking down of the engine. From his train he stepped on to the west-bound tracks and was struck by a train going in the opposite direction. The body was taken to his home in Connessville.

Mr. Bowlin was one of the most popular men in the service of the company and had been in their employ since 17 years of age. By his courteous and genial manner he won the friendship and esteem of all railroad men and patrons of the company, with whom he came in contact. He was considered one of the most efficient railroad men in the service of the company.

Mr. Bowlin was born at Confluence on April 6, 1874, a son of Samuel and Anna Holiday Bowlin. He resided at Confluence until entering the employ of the company as a brakeman. On December 23, 1897, he was married in Connessville to Miss Ida May Bunge.

## OUT-DOOR SLEEPING.

Little Talks on Health and Hygiene By Dr. Samuel Dixon.

That which is looked upon as a fad today becomes the necessity of tomorrow. This is largely the case with outdoor sleeping. With the beginning of the active campaign against tuberculosis but a few years or so ago, out-door sleeping was recommended for those suffering from tuberculosis and others whose general physical condition seemed to warrant it. These pioneers were looked upon by their friends and neighbors with interest and they openly expressed belief that if they survived this exposure, which was doubtful, they would soon tire of the experiment anyhow. As a matter of fact there are a hundred open air sleepers today where there was one a decade ago and it is no longer limited to those who are ill health.

All who have tried open air sleeping are enthusiastic about it and they constitute an ever growing group. A sleeping porch is coming to be looked upon as an essential part of the home. Whole families have taken to sleeping in the open and have been so benefitted by it that they would never consider anything else. The proper garb to insure warmth despite the temperature is essential. With a warm room for dressing accessible there is no reason why this invigorating and stimulating custom should not continue to grow in popularity.

## NEARBY NEWS.

William P. Noll and his bride of five days, formerly Miss Miranda W. Mowry, were found dead in Noll's garage at Bellefonte Saturday. The circumstances surrounding their death are mysterious. Mrs. Noll was seated in the front seat of an automobile behind the steering wheel, and her husband was standing alongside the car, leaning against the side door. Gas asphyxiation is supposed to be the cause of death. The couple were married Monday night. They were last seen Friday afternoon and the supposition is that they were overcome by gas during the evening. Mrs. Rose E. Krauss, of Altoona, was notified that she has been awarded a gold medal by the Panama-Pacific Exposition for the best chicken in the world, a White Crested Polish, the prize being won in the Universal Sweepstake Poultry Exhibition at the recent show.

The Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia has decided in a test case that the employer is liable for compensation for the death of an employee who mistook poison for water, and died after drinking it. The Court held that ministrations by a servant unto himself, such as quenching his thirst, relieving his hunger or protecting himself from the cold, are incidents of his employment.

**CAKE AND CANDY SALE.**  
Class No. 3 of Amity Reformed S. S. will hold a Cake and Candy Sale at Bittner's Grocery, Saturday, Jan. 29th.

## CONTRIBUTIONS FOR JEWS

A proclamation having been issued by Governor Brumbaugh calling upon the people of Pennsylvania to set aside January 27 as a day on which to make donations for the relief of the Jews in the various countries at war, the undersigned committee has been asked to act for Somerset county. Mr. M. J. Pritts is Treasurer of the committee to whom all drafts can be handed or forwarded. The committee requests and hereby authorizes all banks in the county to receive contributions for this fund and to forward the same to Mr. Pritts at the County Trust Company, Somerset. We ask the people to respond generously to this call that the appeal of our President and Governor may not go unheeded.

Hon. W. H. Ruppel, M. J. Pritts, S. B. Philson, I. Hess Wagner, J. P. Statler, John G. Emert, Parker Trent.

## AN INTERESTING LECTURE

Next Sunday evening, Rev. Dr. Souders will give an illustrated lecture in the Sunday School room of Amity Reformed Church on the subject, "Hungary, and Hungarian Missions in this country. Dr. Souders is one of the Missionary Superintendents of the church whose special duty it is to see after the Hungarian work. He will use a large number of stereopticon views in the presentation of his subject. His lecture is interesting and instructive. Everybody is invited. Admission is free but a silver offering will be taken.

## LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION.

Letters of administration have recently been issued as follows: James O. Wolfersberger, estate of Matilda Klinefelter, late of Rockwood, Bond \$300. Ross R. Scott, estate of Lloyd Ravenscraft, late of Confluence, Bond \$500. Mary A. Knuff, estate of Harvey A. Knuff, late of Conemaugh township, Bond \$500.

## WILL OPEN KINDERGARTEN

Meyersdale to have a Kindergarten, this spring, which will be good news to the mothers of a number of little ones here.

Miss Mary Black and Miss Kathryn Leonard will, during the months of April and May, conduct the Kindergarten in the social room of the Lutheran church. The hours will be from 9 to 11:30 a. m.

The Citizens National Bank has placed two large 12 inch diameter globe lights on cast bronze brackets in front of the building that are really very artistic and substantial in appearance in keeping with that well established and reliable institution.

A FULL LINE OF HEINZ PICKLES AT POORBAUGH & BOWSER MEAT MARKET.

## MEN'S LUNCHEON FINE AFFAIR

Sixty-nine men assembled themselves in the basement of the Main Street Brethren church, on last Thursday night, and after singing "America" they were served with a splendid luncheon by the ladies of the S. S. C. E.

Mr. A. W. Poorbaugh, president of the Federation acted as toastmaster and, in his usual enthusiastic manner, outlined a larger work for the organization and his talk was a real inspiration to all present. After a short business session the following program was given: Cornet Solo, Eugene Bowman; Quartette, "Quit You Like Men," Rev. H. L. Goughnour, Maurice Clark, James B. Hostetler, H. M. Cook. Burn's Poem, "Man was Made to Mourn," Robert Wardlaw; Duet, "The Village Frog," H. M. Cook and Maurice Clark; Violin Solo, C. E. Liveness; Accordion Solo, Robert Wardlaw; Talk, Rev. H. L. Goughnour.

At this point the toastmaster stated that the program committee had divided the evening's entertainment into three parts—Good things to eat—Good things to hear—Good things to look at. The good things to look at, to which he referred, were pictures of various members of the Federation in caricature, thrown upon a screen by a Projectoscope. This part of the entertainment evoked much laughter.

The evening's program was concluded by singing "Blest be the Tie that Binds."

## PARENT-TEACHERS MEETING.

There will be a meeting of the Parent-Teacher's Association in the high school building on Friday evening. A very interesting program has been arranged as follows: Piano and Violin Duet—Kathryn Aurandt and Miriam Glessner. Reading, Mrs. Wm. Daily. Music, Meyersdale Quartet. Address.—Need of Systematic Teaching of Music in the Public Schools, by Rev. H. L. Goughnour. Duet—Violin and Cello, Miss Maggie Damico and Mr. H. M. Cook. Music—Meyersdale Quartet. Awarding of Banner. A very cordial invitation to be present is extended to all interested in our schools and their progress.

## HISTORY OF ROMESBERG FAMILY.

Theodore Romesberg of Garrett, this week received from the printer a number of booklets containing an interesting history of the family from the time the first Romesberg came to America nearly two centuries ago. These booklets can be obtained from Mr. Romesberg for a very small sum. Write him concerning the matter.

FRESH AND SMOKED SAUSAGE AT POORBAUGH & BOWSER.

## ANOTHER MINE INCREASES MEN'S WAGES.

Effective January 24, the Victor Coal Mining Company at Holsopple will begin paying their employees increased wages. This decision was fully voluntary on the part of the operators. The increase includes rates for pick mining to a maximum of 58 cents a ton and a straight increase of 10 cents a day for both inside and outside company labor, regardless of class or present rate of pay. For machine mining, the new rate will be 52 cents a ton.

Taken as a whole the changed rate will add considerable to the operators cost of production for wages alone. About 175 men will share in the advance.

John McCray, 58 years old, died at 5 o'clock Sunday evening at his home in Boswell following an illness of a year with asthma. He had been employed here for two or three years by the Merchants' Coal Company. His widow survives.

## WANT SEASON CLOSED.

The sportsmen of Somerset County are freely signing a petition, which will be presented to the State Game Commission asking that body to continue for two years the ban against killing deer in Somerset County. The forests of Somerset County were stocked with deer several years ago, when the county was closed for a period which expires this year. These imported deer were secured from parks, and although their herds have increased greatly, the sportsmen say they are too tame, and that, therefore, hunting should be prohibited for two years more.

## BASKET BALL CHALLENGE.

We, the South Side Juniors, challenge the Rex Club to play us at Reich's auditorium next Wednesday, February 2nd.

The manager of the Rex Club agreed to play us Thursday evening Jan. 26, providing that we secure the floor for that date. After we had secured the floor they cancelled the game which shows that they are not very anxious to play us. Our team is composed of the following players: Hoblitzell and Blake; center, Opel; guards, Hady and Stahl. We feel confident that this team is strong enough to defeat the Rex Club. (Signed) Mgr. South Side Juniors.

## THE BIJOU.

Big things are happening at the Bijou every night. Tonight Livengood's orchestra will furnish the music while there is being portrayed on the screen, Wm. Farnum in The New Government. In this remarkable picture 5,000 people are in action. Every night there is something new and on Saturday night the Broken Coin will be taken up again and The Heart of a Tigress and an L-KO comedy. COME.

You will say our job work is all right.

## WILLIAM W. GILBERT.

For many years a Court Messenger in the Somerset courts, died Monday at his home in Somerset after being ill several months from a complication of diseases. Deceased was a son of the late Frederick Gilbert. He was twice married, his second wife, formerly of Shanksville, surviving with one son, Frederick, of Somerset. Five children of the first wife are living. The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon.

**MRS. JACOB SHETLER**  
Died Sunday evening at her home near Davidsville, aged 65 years. She had been ill for the past three years from that dread disease, cancer, which caused her death. Deceased was one of thirteen children. Her husband and two children survive. Mrs. Shetler was a member of the Amish church.

## MRS. ANNIE HOLZSHU.

Widow of the late Michael Holzshu died at the home of her daughter on Broadway just above the B. & O. railroad on Friday last following a two weeks' illness which terminated in pneumonia. About a year ago, Mrs. Holzshu fractured two ribs and since that time her health has been in an impaired condition. The maiden name of the deceased was Smith and she was born near Garrett. Had she lived until the 30th of April coming, she would have been 79 years of age. Two daughters survive: Sarah, Mrs. John Roudabaugh with whom the de-

## TRIES TO HINDER AN EXECUTOR

Mrs. William Daberko of the South Side, whose husband died and was buried last week, following the reading of the will on Friday in Squire Hay's office, refused to surrender any of her late husband's documents to the executor named in the will, August Daberko, a brother of the decedent. Whereupon Constable Bittner was granted a search warrant which he used effectively securing much that was valuable to the executor in adjusting the affairs of the estate. The sole legatee named in the will after all debts are paid which are only those lately incurred, is the wife they having had no children. This is generous on the part of the testator as Mrs. Daberko was very peculiar and because of that did not concern herself much about the comfort and providing for her husband's during the latter part of his life.

## EVANGELICAL ASSOCIATION AT

St. John's Church near Wittenberg, preaching at 2:30 p. m.—At Glencoe, Prayermeeting on Saturday and Sunday evenings at 7:30.—At Meyersdale Revival services each night of the coming week.—Clewell E. Miller, Pastor.

## THERE WILL BE A BIG BARGAIN AT OUR SPECIAL SALE SATURDAY AT POORBAUGH & BOWSER.

ceased lived and Mrs. John Berkley of Fair Hope. Mrs. Holzshu was a consistent member of the Church of the Brethren and her pastor, Rev. W. M. Howe, conducted the funeral services at the Church of the Brethren on Monday forenoon followed by interment at the Reformed cemetery.

## MRS. BEATRICE DIEST.

Wife of George Diest, died on Tuesday at her home at Steubenville, Ohio, deceased was aged 33 years. Besides her husband, three children survive as do her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Keegan, of Thomas street this place, where the remains were taken by Undertaker Reich on their arriving here last evening. The funeral services will be held to-morrow morning in the Catholic church with high requiem mass.

Try our job work,