

THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY

Items of Interest Called

from Our Exchanges,  
Levi C. Miller, a resident of Middlecreek township and a brother of Poor Director John C. Miller. He is survived by his widow and several children.

At a recent meeting of the promoters of the Johnstown-Somerset Street Railway company held at Somerset, it was announced that one thousand tons of rails have been ordered from the Cambria Steel company. It was also made known that arrangements had been made to get all ties and poles through the firm of Hochard & Statler of Somerset.

The will of Adaline Snyder, late of New Centerville, was probated recently. She left \$200 to Sadie E. Spangler, and directed that the balance of her estate be equally divided among her children, Ross A. Snyder and A. J. Spangler are appointed Executors. The will was dated September 10, 1915, and witnessed by John S. Snyder and Sadie Spangler.

The following have been appointed members of the board of permanent viewers for Somerset county; L. C. Colborn, Somerset; Rufus E. Meyers, Somerset; John A. Hartman, Winber; William M. Schrock, Somerset; William P. Hay, Jefferson township; Roscoe C. Welfey, Salisbury; Stephen McClinton, Addison township; Frank H. Meyers, Brothersvalley township; J. E. Johnson, Shade township.

GLENCOE

L. H. Broadwater of Wilmington, Delaware spent Saturday looking over his Formose stock farm near here.

Harvey Leydig and bride spent the week-end with J. T. Leydig and family following a ten days' honeymoon in Eastern cities they will locate in Somerset.

Leah Webreck took in a theatre party at Comberland on Thursday night. She just couldn't finish out her allotted vacation because "Johnnie" was due on Saturday.

Mrs. Ralph Cook and Mae Downey of Mt. Savage are spending the week with Mrs. W. H. Cook.

Merchant I. D. Leydig attended the funeral of his fraternal brother Geo. Brenham of Hyndman at Somerset on Saturday.

Alfred Broadwater made a business trip to Meyersdale on Friday last.

Archie Tressler is home from Cumberland on a two weeks' leave.

F. W. Webreck, our road supervisor or attended the Good Roads Meet at Somerset last week. He looks full of excellent ideas, so watch the macadam roads grow on Northampton bushes.

By the jingling hereabouts over the numerous knottings, you'd believe readily that Santa forgot to absent himself. Here's wishing the "undertakers" full and constant happiness. A delegation consisting of Mrs. W. H. Miller, Emma Tayman, Leah Webreck and Marion, Leah and Clara Leydig, called on Ida Bittner, south of town; she is suffering much but is surely a cheerful patient.

Mrs. Francis Smith and son Chas., of Johnstown are visiting relatives here.

TREE FAKIRS WILL BE BUSY.

Losses of from fifty to one hundred thousand dollars to trees of Pennsylvania have been caused by fakirs or persons using injurious methods of tree treatment according to an estimate made by Zoologist Surface of the department of agriculture.

The New York Agricultural Experiment Station wrote to the department of agriculture concerning the operation in Pennsylvania of agents for a company who made a practice of using a preparation for injection into trees and the losses that have occurred in the State as the result of such treatment killing trees.

"There have been several companies attempting to do business in the way of injecting inoculating or vaccinating trees. The operators reason by analogy that if vaccination is a good thing for human beings, it must be for trees, but their victims do not realize that the process, conditions, possibilities and results are vastly different. I know where many trees have been killed but I have never seen any beneficial results.

"I wish to warn Pennsylvania orchardists and farmers against allowing such treatment to their trees until they have secured the advice of some reliable person on the subject."

LICENSE SIGNERS' NAMES AGAIN TO BE PUBLISHED.

The county W. C. T. U. is asking arrangements to publish, as they have for the past two years, the names of all signers of liquor licenses in Somerset county. The License Annual will be issued in the early part of March, thousands of copies being sent all over the county.

Children Orr  
FOR FLETCHERS  
GASTORIA

MEYERSDALE

H. S. BRIEFS

Editor in Chief—Jerro Beachy.  
Assistant Editor—Lenore Collins

Reporters—

Mary Will, Class '16  
Fred Groff, Class of '17  
Grace Michael, Class of '18  
R. Bowmaster, Class of '19.

Some Oddities in Geography

The following are some of the answers given in a geography test in the high school a few days ago. These were the exceptional answers. The most of the pupils did credit to the teaching in the grades.

London is in Paris, Capital.

Iceland an island on the Scandinavian peninsula.

Brooklyn bridge in London.

Brooklyn bridge over the Atlantic ocean.

Rome, a ocean in the Mediterranean sea.

Sahara desert in Asia.

Sahara desert in Canada.

Sheffield noted for its cemeteries.

Canary Islands in Sahara Desert.

Basket Ball Game.

The Meyersdale High School Basketball team defeated Lonaconing Central high school on Friday, Jan. 1, at Reich's Auditorium by the score of 75 to 9. The Lonaconing quintet came to Meyersdale with a good record having won 8 games and losing only one; but they could not stop the wonderful team work of the local boys. Eighty high school students turned out to cheer their team to victory, and at times it seemed as if they'd raise the roof of the rink with their yells and cheers. Although the game was one-sided, it was interesting throughout. The Lonaconing crew could not stop the wonderful shooting of Grier and Fike, and could not break through the stonewall defense put up by Siehl and Stottler. Griffith, our centre showed his superiority over the "Coney" center by outjumping and outgenerating him. Grof and Noel who were put in towards the close of the game, played well.

The lineup and the summary:  
Meyersdale, 75 Position .. Lonaconing, 9  
S. Grier R. F. A. Yast  
C. Fike L. F. L. Durst  
C. Griffith C. M. Price  
C. Siehl R. G. D. Hohing  
W. Stottler L. G. J. Trennent  
Field Goals—Grier 21; Fike 9; Griffith 4; Siehl 1; Stottler 1; Grof 1; Durst 2; Hohing 1; Trennent 1.  
Foul goals—Grier 1 out of 4; Durst 1 out of 6; Referee, Phillip Reich; Time-keeper Benford. Scorer, C. Griffith.

On March 3rd, our team will journey to Lonaconing for a return game and will try to repeat their great victory.

Of More or Less Sense.

The Commercial Juniors are complaining that Mr. Arnold has too much sand. They say that the surplus grit is seriously interfering with their book-keeping which was going along fine until Mr. Arnold left a liberal amount of sand on the table. Mr. Arnold has been threatened with an awful punishment if he repeats the offense.

We are glad to say that Prof. Kretschman whose pleasure in the German class has been marred for the past week by a severe cold, is rapidly improving. He is able once again to join with us in a hearty laugh.

The seniors are now enjoying themselves watching the plane geometry being solved by the juniors, which the former overcame in 1915.

WANTED—On the freshman side of the room, A double seat for Irene Blume and Frank Hocking during the 3rd and 4th periods in the afternoon.

Sore noses and mouths seem to be the fad in M. H. S. at the present.

Perhaps it would be better if Leora Geiger and Chas. Fike were not in the same division in the experimental class.

Last Thursday, John Hocking, the ultratranscendent manipulator of complicated devices, produced on a one-stringed instrument to an amazing degree of perfection the beautiful strains of "My Country, 'tis of thee" John is also a professional mouth-organ artist.

That the Meyersdale School board is adding a weather forecasting department to the school is a false rumor.

The preceding idea came about in this way, some one saw a senior with his German text, "Immensee" by Storm and thought it was an immense Storm.

Mary Will, the efficient reporter of the Senior Class, is again on the Staff after several days' illness.

William Leckemby has been promoted from the rear of the room to the front seat.

The Seniors have completed Mechanics, Heat and Sound and have taken up the subject of Light.

FARMERS OWN AUTOMOBILES.

Soll Tillers Led all Others as Buyers of Machines.

Pennsylvania farmers own over fourteen per cent of the automobiles registered in the State during the past year. On the first of the year there were 22,608 automobiles in the hands of the farmers of the state, according to the estimates of the Bureau of Statistics of the Department of Agriculture. The reports show that 95 per cent of the farmers are car owners and this means that there is an automobile on one out of every ten farms. A year ago it was estimated that there were 15,000 automobiles in the hands of the farmers of the State. In 1915 there were 759,984 automobiles registered in Pennsylvania and the farmers are shown to own 14.1 per cent of that total. The residents undoubtedly led by a fair margin all other classes of purchasers of cars during the year. In ten out of sixty-seven counties the reports show that the farmers own cars and in thirty-one counties ten per cent, or more of the farmers are shown as car owners. Lancaster county leads with over eighteen per cent of the farmers owning an estimated total of 1842 cars. Chester county farmers own 1019 cars and Bucks county farmers 963.

Circus Thrills

"How did there ever come to be such a thing as a kangaroo?" Mrs. Smith asked her husband.

"The kangaroo," explained Vubbs, "illustrates a very interesting fact and arouses some novel reflections. The kangaroo's method of locomotion is his own invention. He uses his tail instead of his legs. You see, there is always more than one way of doing things. Men and beasts find various ways and means. They can evolve in one direction as well as another."

"And the giraffe—" began Mrs. Vubbs, suggestively.

"Hal!" said Vubbs, suddenly. "I see the drift of your remarks. I perceive that they lead in the direction of the circus. But I warn you that I will not take you and the children to the circus. If I go to the circus with the children every idiot I meet will say: 'Have your excuse with you, haven't you?' So many of my friends rushed up to make the remark the last time that I thought the cages had broken open."

"It always seems to me," mused Mrs. Vubbs, "that the hippopotamus is more of a bug or reptile than an animal. And the funny thing about the elephants seems to be their ridiculous skins, that are such an awfully bad fit. Their trousers bag at the knees and their coats look like that \$9.99 suit you bought last summer."

"I think the leopards and tigers are beautiful. Their coats are so gorgeous. The camels are like nice old ladies, rather tired and bored. They look as if they ought to be working on crochet or knitting or some such placid employment."

"We're not going to the circus," said Vubbs again.

"I suppose not, but the children will be so disappointed. Anyway, I don't believe it will be much good. I saw a dozen wagons going to the depot even before the afternoon performance. I hate to see anything leaving before I get a chance to see it—that is, if I do see it."

"Darn it!" ejaculated Vubbs, disappointedly. "That's the way with the circus. The circus people have only two ideas in the world. One is to get into a town and the other is to get out."

"You have noticed, perhaps, that a whistle blows at intervals during the performance. Well, that's a sign for the performers to get off the trapezes, because they want to pack them up. You bet your life, those actors had better bet so when the whistle blows and the packers are ready to pack. If the trapeze man lets go too late he may find to his sorrow that the net has been carried away and packed up."

"Another objection to taking the children is that they invariably want to stay to see the Wild West after show. I certainly hate to pay ten cents extra to have the tent pulled down on top of me and my seat jerked out from under me."

OLEY KIDNEY PILLS

OR RHEUMATISM KIDNEYS AND BLADDER

Poetry—Perhaps?

Our German's getting harder still,  
We barely make it out,  
But Latin—it is a harder pill  
Than all the saur-kraut.

Frank Hocking has asked that a substitute be found to take Mary Will's place when she is absent. He says that it is lonely without her.

Monday afternoon—1 p. m. Irene Collins is wearing pink carnations; 3 p. m. Earl Stottler also wearing them.

During a discussion of Real Property in Commercial Law, Elizabeth Bolden boldly asserted that cherries belong to the class of Real Estate. Regardless of the many queries as to her belief, none can obtain any information concerning Cherries and Real Estate.



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