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FOREIGN FARMERS FIRST
During the ten months of the fiscal year 1915, under the Republican protective tariff there was imported into this country meat and dairy products to the value of \$12,000,000. The bulk of his was foreign cheeses. Seven of the ten months ended April, 1914, were under the Democratic tariff for less than revenue law, with most of these products on the free list, and for this ten months period foreign competitors sent meat and dairy products into the American market to the value of \$28,000,000, the bulk of them being meats. Nine of the ten months ended April, 1915, were under European war conditions. Notwithstanding this, our imports of these products reached the astonishing figure of \$38,000,000, an increase of 217 per cent over the 1913 period. Argentine meats and Canadian milk and cream accounted for the larger part of these imports. About this time the demands of the belligerents for Argentine meats became heavier, and her trade in these products veered toward Europe, as did much of that from Canada. For ten months ended April, 1915 our imports of Argentine meats were just 50 per cent of what they were during the 1914 period, and our total imports of meat and dairy products were \$21,000,000. The principle after-war problem, which Argentina will have to meet is how to get rid of her vast surplus of farm products, the production of which during the past two years has been so wonderfully increased. With a Democratic free trade law on the statute books, the United States is the logical market for these products and that spells disaster to the American farmer. With a Republican tariff law on the statute books American farm products will be protected. Moreover, every cent of duty that Argentina pays to enter these farm products in our market will go into the Federal Treasury as revenue, and that means a lessening of the burden of internal taxation on the American farmer. How do you think he will vote?

CHURCH NOTES.
AT THE METHODIST CHURCH
Next Sabbath evening, Rev. J. L. Matteson of the Methodist church will begin a Series of Sunday Evening Sermons on Social Subjects, the first being, "The Diamond Solitaire, or Betrothal."
These sermons are in no wise sensational but cover a very important period in the life of the majority of people. Each sermon is an address in itself but they are in climactic form ending with "The Broken Vow or Divorce" towards which all of them tend. The sermons are needed in this time of fast living when the sanctity of marriage is almost lost sight of.
The morning sermon will be "The Fourth Commandment."

EVANGELICAL ASSOCIATION
Meyersdale, Sunday school on Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock; Y. P. A. at 6:45 and Preaching Services at 7:30. Prayer meeting on Thursday evening at 7:45.
St. John's church, near Wittenberg, Grove Meeting: S. S. at 9:30; Preaching services at 10:30, 2:30 and 7:45. Clewell E. Miller Pastor.

COMMUNION SERVICES.
The mid-summer communion will be celebrated in Amity Reformed Church next Sunday morning and evening. Preparatory services will be held on Friday evening.

TO ATTEND COLUMBIA SUMMER SCHOOL.
Rev. H. L. Goughnour left to day to resume the studies of his course leading to Master's degree at Columbia University. Miss Ida Dia who has been elected to teach in the high school at Somerset will attend the same institution for the summer session. Miss Frances Livengood who taught for the past two years in the Meyersdale high school and is a graduate of Lehigh University, Jr. University of California, will also enroll for work there in a day or two. Prof. Arnold, of the local high school, it is said, will enter at Columbia also for a few weeks of work.

DEATH OF INFANT.
Vernetta Erlin, infant daughter of W. T. Jones of the South Side, died on July 4th, aged 13 days. Burial took place in the Union cemetery on Wednesday, the pastor, Dr. A. E. Truxal, officiating; Mrs. Jones gave birth to twins on June 21; one of them died at birth and the other lived two weeks and then also passed away.

Our Job Work Pleases

• Zu Zu • Zu Zu • Zu Zu • Zu Zu • Zu Zu •
Oh, say! I say!
You say
Zu Zu
to your grocer man
and you'll get snappy,
spicy ginger snaps.
NATIONAL BISCUIT
COMPANY
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HON. F. B. BLACK
WANT \$125,000 FOR MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

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and is one of its officers.
For the past year, Mr. Black has served on the Commission of Agriculture and his suggestions along that line have merited his call to more responsible work, for his executive ability is recognized.
Mr. Black has a lovely country home three miles from Meyersdale and near Garrett it was here that Governor Brumbaugh was entertained last summer for a short time by Mr. and Mrs. Black. The latter is an accomplished woman and one who is heading the movement, "Die Hausfrauen" that is doing much for the social uplift of her community and at the same time is idealizing country life. Mrs. Black is a member of the D. A. R. and belongs to one of the best families of the county. Mr. and Mrs. Black have three sons and one daughter. One of the sons, Frank just graduated from the Carnegie Technical School of Applied Science and now has charge as superintendent of one of his father's mines; another son, William H., is a student senior in the same institution pursuing the same course; the other son is a lad not entered into the teens; and the daughter is a charming young lady who is a student in the Meyersdale high school.
Mr. Black's new duties will require much of his time; he left on Wednesday for Harrisburg to be at his work from the time of the starting of his appointment. One of his first duties will be to have a long conference with the governor about the requirements of the highway department.
An interesting fact about the new state highway commissioner is that he is a grandson of John Bradfield, who in 1815 was awarded the contract for building the section of the famous National pike from Uniontown, Pa., over the mountain to Grantsville, Md. The records show that Mr. Bradfield's contract was awarded to him and himself built only the section between Somerset, Somerset county, and Grantsville. This work occupied him from 1815 to 1818. Mr. Bradfield is said to have been one of the most expert of road-builders, his work being evidenced in the longevity of the pike he constructed.
F. B. Black, Mr. Bradfield's descendant, has literally dreamed about good roads, his friends say. Improved highways have been a passion with him, and his friends declare that the appointment to the state commissioner comes to him as an opportunity. He has organized his mining interests thoroughly, with his oldest son, Frank Snyder Black, acting as assistant superintendent, so that he will be able to devote all his time and energy to the new work. When he gets accustomed to his new duties, it is said, he will begin making tours of the state, to become acquainted with road difficulties and needs in each section, and the county highway workers may expect more than one visit from this man, who has preached good roads for years and is now preparing to put his preaching into practice.

EXECUTORS' NOTICE
Estate of John Wagaman, Deceased, of Meyersdale, Somerset County, State of Pennsylvania.
Letters testamentary on the above named estate having been granted to the undersigned, all persons knowing themselves to be indebted to the same are requested to make immediate settlement and those having claims against the estate are to present them properly authenticated.
B. F. WAGAMAN,
G. A. WAGAMAN,
Executors.

CONFLUENCE
The funeral of J. C. Show here on Monday was largely attended by relatives and friends. Rev. H. E. Haggas a former pastor here but now of Sunbury, Pa., officiated at the funeral.
Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Burnworth are visiting the former's sister, Mrs. J. W. Wilson of near Elm Grove, and brother, Norman, of Uniontown.
Miss Ruth Burnworth has returned to her work as saleslady in Black's department store, after several days spent at Salisbury and Meyersdale.
Wm. Philippi and son, George, who are in the lumber business in Uniontown, are visiting their friends here at present.
W. E. Debolt has returned to his home in Charleston after visiting friends in Connellysburg and Uniontown.
Born to Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Groff, recently a boy. This makes eight boys and two girls in the family.

LITTLE CHILD DRANK ARSENATE OF LEAD.
Viola, the 2-year old little daughter of Mrs. Nora Ankley, of Keystone street, a few days ago, while the other members of the family were spraying potatoes with arsenate of lead, unnoticed got hold of a pail with poison in it and thinking it milk from its white appearance, drank a little of it. Milk was hurriedly given the child and later warm mustard water and milk and after several hours' illness she was all right again. A few days previous the little girl got hold of some food with arsenic on it, placed for mice and was found just as she was about to eat. Needless to say that the latter poison when used will be kept in a safer place.

DECKER-BARMOY
At the Reformed parsonage, Meyersdale at 3:30 p. m. Thursday June 29th Mr. Charles Eugene Decker of Detroit, Michigan and Miss Cordula Mona Barmoy of Meyersdale, Pa. were united in marriage by the pastor of the bride Rev. A. E. Truxal D. D. They went unattended in an automobile and after the ceremony drove to Garrett and took a train on Western Maryland for Detroit where they will make their home for the present. Mr. Decker is a native of Somerset county having been brought up in Greenville township; but 18 months ago he located in Detroit and now holds a good position in a machine shop. Miss Barmoy hails from Larimer Township but has been living in Meyersdale for a number of years.

ROCKWOOD.

A few days ago the tin box placed in the cornerstone of the Rockwood Lutheran church, built in 1884, was removed in the work of placing the structure by a handsome, modern building. In the box were the following articles: A hymn book, copies of the Rockwood Times (now the Somerset Standard), the Somerset Herald, the Somerset Democrat, Meyersdale Commercial, the Lutheran Observer, reports of synods held in 1883. All were in a bad condition.
At a meeting of the school board on Thursday evening the following teachers were elected for the coming term: Principal, Prof. H. S. Wolfberger; assistant principal, E. D. Snyder; sixth grade, Miss Ruby Harbaugh; fifth, Miss Ethel DeVore; fourth, Miss Nettie Barkman; third, Miss Dell Schrock; second, Miss Bebie Moore; first primary, Miss Clara Saylor. Harry Vough was reelected as janitor.
C. G. Tanenhill, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Tanenhill of Black township and Miss Ruby McVicker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. McVicker of this place were married recently at the parsonage of the United Brethren church by Rev. I. J. Duke. The marriage was an unexpected one to their friends as Miss McVicker had been filling as usual her position in the Myers Variety store.
The largest class to take the teachers examination here ever known was examined by Prof. Selbert last week. There were 65 in the class.
Mrs. Eli Lephart, of Turkeyfoot township, was operated upon for internal diseases Friday at the Memorial Hospital, Johnstown.

MARRIED
Robert Russell Schroyer, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. K. Schroyer of Stoyestown, and Miss Sarah Grace Zimmerman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Noah K. Zimmerman of Quemahoning township, were married at Somerset by the Rev. E. F. Hoffmeier.
George F. Shank, son of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Shank, and Miss Harriet May, both of Shanksville, were married at Somerset by the Rev. J. M. Feightner.
Harry Lincoln Cossen of Deal and Miss Eleanor Shaffer, daughter of Mr. Mrs. Percy Shaffer of Sand Patch, were married at Deal by Rev. J. T. Shaefer.
John M. Bachman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Bachman and Miss Rosella M. Shetter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel G. Shetter both of Conemaugh township were married at Davidsville by Rev. S. G. Shetter.
Clyde Oscar Penner, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Penner and Miss Dora Grush daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Grush both of Windber were married at Windber, by the Rev. A. E. Husted.
George W. Erb son of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Erb and Miss Catherine M. Zimmel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Zimmel both of Johnstown, were married at Windber by Justice of the Peace Patton.
Wm. F. Ollinger, son of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Ollinger and Miss Agnes M. Young, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Young, both of Windber were married at Windber by Rev. J. P. Saas.
Ralph R. Roderick, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Roderick and Miss Susan Porterfield, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Porterfield both of Confluence were married by Justice of the Peace G. G. Gross.
Merle T. Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Miller and Miss Jeanette Laney, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Laney both of Boswell were married at Jennertown by Rev. Elmer F. Rice.
Daniel P. Yinke son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Yinke of Somerset Twp. and Miss Bertha Shaffer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Shaffer, of Acosta were married at Somerset by Rev. G. A. Collin.
Ernest J. Hoover son of Mr. and Mrs. Noah Hoover and Miss Marian Adams, daughter of Mrs. and Mrs. Reese A. Adams both of Somerset township were married at Somerset by Rev. G. A. Collin.

THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY
Items of Interest Culled from Our Exchanges.

Somerset residents have been circulating there a petition to council protesting against the imposition of an additional tax on the market day sale. The market day sale was started about a year ago by G. N. Sel and A. K. Miller who hold public auction on the first Saturday of each month. The public is given an opportunity to take any article to the market and have them sold on a commission basis of five per cent. The petition sets forth that the market day is a great convenience to the public and that inasmuch as the men pay a merchants' tax and a brokerage tax an additional tax would be burdensome.
Word was received at Somerset Thursday that George R. Sanner, who some time ago passed the competitive examination for a cadetship in the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md., took the oath and entered that institution Wednesday afternoon, after he had successfully passed the physical examination before the United States Naval Board. Mr. Sanner received his appointment through Representative Robert F. Hopwood, of Uniontown, of the 23rd. Congressional district. Mr. Sanner is one of the youngest to enter the academy, having just recently reached the age of 17 years. He is a grandson of Capt. William H. Sanner, of Somerset, Sealer of Weights and Measures, in this county.

POLISH CAPITAL IS CITY OF STARVING
Women Beg in Streets for Food for Loved Ones
SURVIVORS WILL BE DWARFED
Long Lines of Men, Women and Children Await Turn at Citizens' Kitchens For Bowls of Warm Soup.
Warsaw and other places linked prominently with the history of Poland's old glory, and also with that of struggles for freedom in more recent years, are today scenes of one of the greatest battles against starvation ever waged by a whole nation.
Children kneeling in the streets and the old men like statues of prayer, are to be seen in the beautiful city of Warsaw, begging for food. Fathers are accosted by women and children who ask for help, whether they chance to be in the vicinity of the railroad stations, of buildings containing offices of the German military government, or upon the leading business thoroughfares.
Grief-stricken mothers with babes in their arms begging for food for the little ones through during the day and evening the various pretentious parts of Warsaw, as well as those which are not pretentious.
Not infrequently one meets young women evidently from good homes walking the streets begging for aid for themselves or their elders because they are unable to get work and will not become the prey of vice.
That the distress of the people is severe and general is readily seen by visiting the citizens' kitchens and eating places. There long rows of hungry men, women and children wait their turn to get inside the doors to obtain soup and other warm food prepared for them. Some adults addressed have in their faces the visible effects of hunger. Their eyes are bloodshot, their cheeks hollow and their features haggard.
But the little children, of whom there are large numbers in Warsaw, suffer most terribly. Because of the lack of milk many little children are dying. Not a few of these in whom life continues to flicker are unable to walk or use their limbs. Physicians and clergymen, as well as government officials, say that lack of milk and other food suitable for the babes will cause thousands of the little ones to die and that those who survive will be otherwise deformed.
Faces of the young children are of a dusky or sallow hue, their eyes sunk in, their mouths bleeding, their gums livid, their teeth dropping out, their faces haggard. They are suffering from scurvy. The number of these victims runs into many thousands. For the cure of this disease plenty of milk and other good and wholesome food is required.
Girl Accidentally Shoots Sister.
The ten-year-old daughter of W. M. Lindenwood, a merchant of near Centerville, O., was accidentally killed when a shotgun, which her eight-year-old sister was handling, was discharged.

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THE BUFFALO.

The Buffalo, whose right name is Bison, is the only well-known American animal except the Goat who still wears whiskers. The Buffalo is related to the Kak a mild-mannered bovine which furnishes the motive power for Asiatic jitney buses. The Yak is of great economic value when alive, and when dead his tail still wags in the form of a fly swatter—and there are some flies to swat in Asia, believe us! The only thing that is left of the Buffalo, so to speak, is a tale. Fifty years ago, when beards were a mark of masculine distinction and family portraits hung in the parlor, when the push-covered album was a form of popular diversion, the Buffalo pawed the western plains in millions. But with the passing of physiognomic drapery the Buffalo went down and out, until, like the Bull Moose, there is nothing left of his former greatness save a few live samples in captivity and some mounted specimens in museums.
The trouble with the Buffalo was that he had enough size and speed, but he lacked direction. His head was big, but there was nothing of value inside of it. When the mighty hunter sneaked up on a band of six Buffalo and picked off one of them with his trusty rifle, the other five would stick around and look foolish, until the whole scrotum were ready to be made into Buffalo robes. This behavior was called courage, and maybe it was; but the fellow who doesn't know when to beat it is made of stuff that undertakers delight in and cemetery associations pay dividends on. The Buffalo has always been regarded as a heroic figure, but all he ever got for his courage was to have a village in New York named for him and get his picture on a five-cent nickel. Courage, my son, is a fine thing; but remember that it is pleasant to be a live politician with a large income than a dead statesman with a large monument. Don't be a Buffalo.—From Judge.

THE AMERICAN STIGMA OF "HIGH BROW."

The worst fault, however, into which our age-long service of mediocrity has led us is a weak-kneed, pusillanimous deference to mediocrity itself. The college has borrowed the vice from everyday American life. For example, the most deadly weapon in the yellow journalists' armory is the term "high-brow." A politician may be called "grafter," "hoax," or even "muckraker," and escape unscathed; but if he is denounced as a "high-brow" and the label sticks, his career is ended. A playwright or a novelist may be written down as "cheap," he may be said to plagiarize, he may be shown to be vicious or unclean, without serious damage to his reputation; but let him be proved a "high-brow" and the public will fly from him as if he were a book-ager. Now the widespread American belief that knowledge makes a man impractical is responsible for some of this curious odium; but far more is due to our servile deference to mediocrity. The weight of public opinion is usually against the expert, the specialist, the thinker, the exceptional man in general, for public opinion, whether right or wrong, is always mediocre; and there are few among us who do not in this respect yield somehow, somewhere, to public opinion. The doctor distrusts the advanced political theorist, the politician distrusts the advanced dramatist, the dramatist sneers at the innovation of science. We are all made timid by the enormous majorities which uphold mediocrity.—Henry Seidel Canby in Harper's Magazine.

TRUTH SPOKEN IN JEST.

A wise man says that man is divided into two great classes—those who know they are fools, and those who don't.
Most tall stories are more or less thin.
Shiftless people are never the ones who worry about it.
Enthusiasm is the stepmother of haste.
Poetry may bring returns — if a stamp is inclosed with it.
If the thing a man wants to do is right he goes and does it. If it is wrong he consults a lawyer.
A politician may be able to pack a convention all right, but when it comes to packing a trunk, he has to turn the job over to his wife.
But a man gets a lot of things he doesn't want in this world, and a woman wants a lot of things she doesn't get.
Kind words are never lost—unless a woman puts them in a letter and gives it to her husband to mail.
An optimist is a man who believes that all eggs will hatch.
Barring hand organs, some good comes out of everything.
People always remember the things they should forget.
Most of the sin on exhibition is anything but original.
The coming man is seldom noticed until he arrives.
Even the baby in the cradle finds this a rocky world.
Life is nearly all desire and regret.

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