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MEYERSDALE PA., THURSDAY, JULY 13, 1916.

GETTING ACQUAINTED WITH NEW STATE COMMISSIONER

The Executive Committee of the Somerset Board of Trade at a special meeting in that place on Tuesday evening decided to give an informal testimonial banquet on Friday evening of this week, in honor of Hon. F. B. Black, who has just been appointed State Commissioner of Highways.

At the annual Board of Trade banquet held at Somerset in January, when Mr. Black's predecessor, Highway Commissioner R. J. Cunningham was the guest of honor, the latter official promised to cooperate with the citizens of Somerset County in the construction of a road to connect with the Lincoln Highway at Jenner town and the National pike at Grantsville.

Summit, and Elk Lick, the boroughs of Somerset, Berlin, Garrett, Meyersdale and Salisbury.

The banquet will be held in the social room of the Christian church, starting promptly at 6 o'clock. No one will be solicited to purchase tickets. The meeting will be open to all persons interested.

The Boards of Trade of Meyersdale, Salisbury, Berlin, Stoystown, Addison and other points are expected besides many other persons.

A delegation of about 85 of Meyersdale's prominent men will attend, going in automobiles, accompanied by the Citizens Band. As this popular musical organization is going without charge, and inasmuch as they give frequent concerts without remuneration they should on all occasions when they ask for aid, be gladly assisted.

Among the guests specially invited are the County Commissioners, Senator J. W. Endsley and the members of the Legislature—present and respective. John C. Bryden, President of the Somerset Board of Trade, will preside as toastmaster, and addresses will be made by Judge W. H. Ruppel and other prominent men of the county.

COMMISSIONER BLACK ISSUES STATEMENT.

Frank B. Black of Meyersdale, whose appointment as Highway Commissioner was announced by Governor Brumbaugh ten days ago, took the oath of office Wednesday at the State Department, it being administered by Fred D. Goodcharles, deputy secretary of the Commonwealth. Commissioner Black then called at his department and was introduced to the entire force, meeting each man personally. His first official act was to issue the following statement to the public:

"In assuming the office of State Highway Commissioner I want the people of Pennsylvania to know that I will carry out my predecessor's plans so far as possible; I will conduct the business of the State as carefully as were it my own and I intend to see that the State's money is spent fairly among the counties of the State. I will ask the next Legislature to appropriate sufficient money to make more improved roads and I intend to see that the money is well spent and that a dollar's worth of roads is made for every dollar of the people's money that comes to my department. I realize the responsibility at the position and I am going to familiarize myself with all the branches under my care. Until I do this, I will make no promises to any one. I will give my whole attention to the cause of the department and try to better it if possible. I have no political aspirations and will conduct the department strictly on business principles. To the press of the State I wish to say that in the past, the actions of the department will be given the fullest publicity. All that I ask is fair play and that the department be not attacked or criticised until we have a chance to answer the accusations made against us. I realize full well that the first impulse of a citizen encountering a bad piece of road is to damn the Highway Department but before attacks are made, we would appreciate a chance to have our side heard."

MARRIED BILLINGS-MEYERS

Friends of Miss Catherine Jane Meyers were surprised on Saturday to learn of her marriage in Chicago on Friday to Mr. Edward Courtenay Billings of that city. Miss Meyers is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Meyers, of Meyers Avenue, and only the immediate family was aware of the intended marriage until the announcement was made Saturday. The groom came to Meyersdale early last year and was employed by the Meyersdale Auto company as a Maxwell service man, he being a mechanical engineer. They expect to reside in Chicago.

HAY-CHEFFEE.

On June 30, at Akron, Miss Lella Cheffee, of that place, and Gordon, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Hay, of Berlin, were married. After a short visit to the groom's home, they returned to Akron where Mr. Hay is employed with the Goodrich Rubber Co.

SOMERSET TOWNSHIP TEACHERS ELECTED.

Following is a list of teachers who have been appointed to serve the 1916-1917 term in Somerset Twp schools: Shaulis, Bruce Lichty; Husband, Milton Baker; Cupp, George Menser; Walker, Henry Walker; Walker, Grove, Henry Menser; P. W. & S., Hannah Urban; Baer, Edward Coleman; Pleasant Hill, Webster P. Fritz; Coleman, Clayton Rhoads; Plank Road, Earle Schrock; Pine Grove, Nina Peck; Will's, Bessie Schrock; Zimmerman, Minnie Baldwin; Somerset No. 1, Roy Saylor; Somerset No. 2, Minnie Ridinger; Somerset No. 3, Mary Emert; Somerset No. 4, Martha Mosteller; Listie No. 1, A. F. Heiple; Listie No. 2, Alma Walker; Listie No. 3, Rachel Coleman; Listie No. 4, Ruth Ross; Gladehurst, Lottie Sipe; Hunter, Mary Cupp; Wells Creek, Ellwood Gasteiger; Friedens No. 1, George Dickey; Friedens No. 2, Sadie Sechler; Union, Charles Long; Lavansville, Alveta Menser; Ankeny, Oscar Moe-grave; Walker, April May Walker; Brumm, Andrew Vargo; Samuel's, O. M. Beabas.

MEDICOS WILL PICNIC.

The bi-monthly meeting of the County Medical society and the annual picnic of the members, their friends and families will be held in Edgewood Grove, near Somerset, on Tuesday, July 18.

A representative of the State Society on Tuberculosis will lecture in the afternoon.

SUFFRAGIST GATHERING

Nearly 700 Women Meet at Kiernan Home at Somerset. Fine Addresses Given by Prominent Members.

Between 600 and 700 suffragists and their friends attended the annual suffrage rally at "Suanlinbar," the spacious country home of Mrs. E. E. Kiernan, fourth vice president of the Pennsylvania Woman Suffrage association near Somerset Friday.

During the morning the Somerset High school orchestra of 30 pieces, under the leadership of P. Young discoursed suffrage music from a large porch. An added musical attraction were the beautiful vocal selections of Mrs. Mabel McKinley Baer, niece of the late president, William McKinley, who has won distinction in the musical circles of New York. In the afternoon a program of addresses was delivered on the lawn in front of the Kiernan home.

Long before 10 o'clock motorists began to arrive from all parts of Pennsylvania and by noon nearly 200 automobiles were on the grounds. Nineteen counties were represented in the gathering: Franklin, Blair, Fayette, Huntingdon, Jefferson, Mercer, Washington, Westmoreland, Cambria, Mifflin, Dauphin, Lycoming, Chester, Warren, Philadelphia, Somerset and elsewhere.

At noon the members of the Somerset Suffrage organization served a cafeteria lunch in two tents, where home-made delicacies were dispensed with gracious hospitality. Many of the visitors were sight seeing around the fine grounds that surround the Kiernan home where flowers abound in most artistic arrangement. The house was the center of sociability; here greetings were exchanged by the delegations from the different counties.

Following the pretty custom of the past, each group of counties had their own rest room, and the registrars were kept busy taking the names of the guests. Miss Emma McAlarney of Harrisburg and Miss Grace Arnold of Lewistown performed this important duty. In the afternoon a group picture of all those present was taken.

With a clever address of appreciation, Mrs. E. E. Kiernan opened the program of the afternoon, thanking the ministers, newspaper people, the women of Somerset county and all others who had contributed to the success of these annual gatherings.

Perhaps the most beautiful and important feature of the program was the dedication of the new Suffrage flag by Mrs. Lewis Lawrence Smith of Stratford. The flag is a keystone on a field of blue surrounded by 11 stars on a field of yellow.

Mrs. George Dunning of Philadelphia told in a most interesting manner of the parade at Chicago and the dilemma of the Suffragists as to the advisability of parading in the rain. "If we don't parade," said some, "we will show a lack of courage," while others contended that if we did parade, the men would think we did not have sense enough to come in out of the rain."

Mrs. J. O. Miller was introduced and made some interesting announcements. The progressive stages of male franchise in this country were told, and many clever illustrations were used to make telling points. "Women can do more good for the women in China, India and other countries by working for universal suffrage than by attending missionary societies and making quilts, etc.," she declared.

"Political and economic freedom is the great boon that came to women the world over. Man does not think in terms of babies, but in terms of money; this is no fault of his, but the result of his education. Women is to complement man and together they can work for better conditions.

"We are not intellectual enough to have things perfect. When all people are educated, we can hope to have things different. Voting is a great education, and when women are granted this right, they must help shoulder the responsibilities which the privilege involves."

Mrs. Kiernan was ably assisted in arranging for the rally by the following committee of Somerset ladies, members of the Suffrage organization: Miss Lucy Scull, leader; Mrs. John Holderbaum, vice leader; Miss Ida Beerits, secretary and treasurer; Mrs. Clarence Shaver, Miss Eleanor Cover

REV. MICHAEL TO LEAVE MEYERSDALE IN A MONTH

Has Announced He Will Leave Local Lutheran Church for One in Tacoma, Wash. That Congregation Asks That He Guarantee a Life Pastorate. Will Pay All Moving Expenses.



REV. D. W. MICHAEL

A few weeks ago it was current that Rev. D. W. Michael, the popular and efficient pastor of the Zion Evangelical Lutheran church of this place was considering the accepting of a call to a pastorate elsewhere of which he had received several very attractive offers. Subsequent to that time it was generally supposed that he had turned them all down and that he would continue with his congregation here which has been built up under his fostering care to 300 additions and further the church edifice is under way for enlargement and better equipment.

It came therefore as a surprise to his people when on Sunday last he announced that he had accepted a call to a Lutheran church at Tacoma, Washington and that he would tender his resignation to take effect on August 27th thus giving the local

congregation time to choose his successor, and that he would leave for his new field of labor on the following day, August 28.

Rev. Michael by birth belongs to the South where he grew to manhood and where he was educated, having graduated from Trinity College, at Durham and also at the University at Chapel Hill, N. C. Rev. Michael came to his work here from Chicago.

Tacoma is a city of nearly 100,000 people, with fine educational institutions and is a place of opportunity for all.

Reverend Michael's moving expenses which will amount to over \$700 are to be paid by his new congregation, and the salary he is to receive is a very substantial one.

It was with much regret that the people of Meyersdale in general learn of his purpose to leave.

BANQUET FOR FIREMAN

A banquet will be to the Meyersdale Fire Company and their wives on this Thursday evening by the business men of the town, and an invitation is extended to all citizens to attend. Refreshments will be served at 8 o'clock at the Firemen's Social room.

A purse recently collected for the brave fire ladders will be presented to them on this occasion. The event promises to be an interesting one. It is hoped that there will be a large attendance.

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and Miss Mary Hoover, committee of arrangements. Ladies who assisted in the serving were: Miss Mary Granger, Miss Clara McKelvey, Miss Happy Hough, Miss Emaline Scull, Mrs. Robert Baush, Mrs. McFarland, Mrs. Conrad, Mrs. Kelson, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Clinton Wagner, Mrs. C. O. Koozer, Mrs. Lynn, Miss Harriet Holderbaum, Mrs. Samuel Buckner, Mrs. Herman, Hodge, Miss Marion Wright, Mrs. R. B. Colvin, Mrs. William Kantner, Miss Ella Huston, Miss Eleanor Cover, Miss Emily Snyder, Mrs. W. P. Young, Mrs. Norman Booth, Mrs. A. L. Sechler, Mrs. Coleman, Mrs. John Miller, Miss Martha Scott, Miss Emma Grove, Miss Ida Beerits, Miss Clara McKelvey, Miss Bessie Shaver.

Among the notable women from all parts of this state present were: Mrs. Umbel, wife of Judge Umbel of Fayette county; Mrs. F. E. McElroy of Altoona, chairman for Blair county; Mrs. J. P. Rogers of Warren, fifth vice president; Miss Anna McIntire, chairman of Greensburg; Mrs. J. P. Wilson, chairman of Pottsville; Mrs. Dallas Bernhardt, chairman of Huntingdon county; Mrs. E. J. Hixson, chairman of Butler county; Miss Harriet Clark, chairman of Connellyville; Mrs. Edward Porter, chairman of Uniontown; Miss Grace Arnold, representing Lewistown.

BUYS SIELH HD'W'E STORE

The SIELH Hardware Store of which George D. SIELH has been the efficient manager for the past eleven years, located at 113 Centre street, has been purchased by Mrs. Blanche E. Shupe of Monessen, Pa. The business will be directed by P. C. Strickland, a nephew of Mrs. Shupe and a successful hardware dealer. Mr. SIELH will for a time, at least continue in the store.

Mrs. Shupe will probably occupy the Mrs. Appel home about to be vacated by Rev. A. S. Glessner who is about to take charge of a pastorate at Greenville, Ohio.

CHURCH NOTES

BRETHREN CHURCH, H. L. Gough-nour, pastor: On Sunday, July 16, there will be preaching services conducted by Rev. C. E. Weidner, D. D., of Johnstown, in the Meyersdale church at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school and Christian Endeavor at usual hours. All are cordially invited.

AMITY REFORMED CHURCH: Rev. D. S. Stephan, of Berlin, will preach in the Reformed church next Sunday evening on a subject of special importance to the congregation.

CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN, Rev. W. M. Howe, Pastor: 10:30 in the morning A Sermon to Children; at 7:30 in the evening, Woman Clothed with the Sun. Sunday School at 9 in the morning; Christian Workers at 6:45 in the evening; Bible Class at 7:30 on Friday evening.

Come and see as well as hear the illustrated Sermon to children on Sunday morning, July 16, at the Church of the Brethren by Pastor W. M. Howe.

Rev. B. D. Winsted of Baltimore will preach in the Methodist church next Sunday morning. Mrs. Winsted is a sister of Mr. J. M. Cook of this place and she is with her husband. They are stopping at the Cook residence on Broadway.

DEATHS IN THIS COUNTY

STEPHEN MCCLINTOCK.

Stephen McClintock, one of the most widely known residents of Somerset county, died July 2nd, at his home in Addison township, aged 62 years, following a long period of suffering caused by cancer of the stomach. Mr. McClintock was operated on about a year ago at a Pittsburgh hospital, and some time afterwards underwent a second operation, but surgical skill was unable to check the ravages of the deadly malady. He is survived by two daughters. His wife passed away several years ago. Mr. McClintock was a descendant of one of Somerset county's oldest families. He was a man of unusual intelligence and ability.

E. D. MILLER.

E. D. Miller, for several years pure food inspector for this district, died at his home in Rockwood, on Friday night. For a number of years he was a merchant before entering the state service. He was also an ardent church worker and was connected with the Rockwood United Brethren church since it was organized. The funeral was held on Sunday afternoon with interment in the I. O. O. F. cemetery. His wife, one son and daughter survive.

SAMUEL HAYNES

Samuel Haynes, 86 years old, died Sunday morning at his home in Rockwood from the infirmities of age. Mr. Haynes was one of the oldest and most highly esteemed citizens of Rockwood. He was the father of Justice of the Peace Haynes of that place.

VAST IRON ORE BEDS.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Reifensider, of Cuba are spending some time with Meyersdale friends. Mr. Reifensider is superintendent for the American Iron Company. The interests were lately bought the Bethlehem Steel Company. So far as the iron ore there that were 4,000 tons taken out daily, it would last 100 years. He expects to return to Cuba later in the year.

SEE OUR SOLDIER BOYS!

These are war days and everybody is interested in the boys who have come to defend their country against foreign foes. You can see the boys at moving picture show at the Bijou on Friday evening. The scenes comprise the daily routine of camp life, showing field manoeuvres, new recruits arriving at the camp, etc., officers' quarters, troops en route to the railroad for shipment to Mexico and many other events of great interest to the public at the present time.

On Saturday night, it will be Peg 'O the Ring which is growing more and more entrancing and fascinating.

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