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SALISBURY SIFTINGS

On Wednesday evening, January 17 the Grantsville Scouts and Salisbury Junior Scouts played on the Salisbury floor. Following is the line-up and Scout Jrs.—25. Grantsville—5. Dietz r.f. Bittinger Smearman l.f. Bonig Lichliter c. Bender Meese r.g. Zehner Shunk l.g. Generten Field goals, Bender 1, Ginterich 1, Dietz 3, Shunk 3, Smearman 1, Lichliter 2. Foul goals, Bittinger 1 out of 8, Lichliter 5 out of 12, Shunk 2 out of 7. Time-keeper—Ringer. Referee Lichliter.

On January 20, the Salisbury Varsity defeated the Keyser Prep. Following is the line-up and score. Salisbury—29. Keyser—28. Lichty r.f. Slocum Thomas l.f. Clevinyer Stotler c. Gibson Swartzwelder r.g. Loutche C. Startzweider. l.g. Keenan Field goals—Lichty 1, Thomas 3, Stotler 2, C. Startzweider 3, Slocum 3, Clevinyer 5, Gibson. Foul goals—Lichty 1 out of 7, Thomas 3 out of 5, Stotler 1 out of 1, Swartzwelder 4 out of 22. Referee—Monn. Time-keeper—Loeche. Scorer—Trevarrow.

A Painful Accident.
While going to his cellar one day last week, Mr. John Mort caught his foot which caused him to fall head-down down the stairs. As a result of his fall he is suffering from bad bruises and cuts about the face.

Mr. John Harding, while dispatching his duties at his father's mine, on Tuesday met with an accident causing one of his hands to be very badly lacerated.

Briefs.

Mrs. Irvin Maust and daughters, Misses Ada and Eva, spent Tuesday in Frostburg on a shopping tour.

Rev. Hetrick, returned home on Sunday from Rockwood, where he had been conducting a revival meeting for several weeks.

Prof. J. C. Beahm of the South Connellsville schools, spent the weekend at his home.

Mrs. L. L. Beachy and Mrs. Lorena Reitz, spent Saturday evening in Meyersdale at the home of Mrs. Philip Reich.

Miss Florence Maust, spent several days last week in Pittsburg.

Mr. Samuel Reed, spent the weekend in Cumberland with his wife who has been visiting for a number of weeks.

Mrs. Harry Wagner of Boynton, spent Saturday afternoon in town calling on friends.

Mr. Harvey Hay, is spending several weeks in Cuba, attending the races.

Mr. bohn Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Beachy, Mr. and Mrs. John Harding and Mrs. Lorena Reitz, attended the musical in Meyersdale, rendered by Mrs. Della B. Livengood's pupils on Wednesday.

GLENCOE

R. A. Poorbaugh and bride, spent the week-end with parents.

Bob Willbreck, Harry Cook and J. Campbell are now laborers of the Seaboard Construction Company.

Thelma Miller was the instigator of a delightful social event at her home on Saturday night. The members of the Sec. Division Class surely enjoyed one pleasant evening.

Mrs. John Poorbaugh and young daughter of Corriganville, Md., are visitors with relatives here this week.

Chas. Love and George Ackerman, have transformed the wild waters of Wills Creek into a quite convenient natatorium—the first swim being "swam" on Monday with a zero thermometer.

Everybody cordially invited to try out the latest addition to our vicinity's attractions.

Marion Leydig, on Monday night entertained Geo. R. Cook and wife and their guest, Mr. La Fèvre of York, Pa.

C. W. Bittner of Meyersdale, Succeeded with his parents.

Summer Garden.
Tomorrow at 4:15 the great and only Rome, the children's magician will give a childrens matinee, all magic and laugh for the school folks. Mr. Rome has made millions of school children laugh and shout with his marvelous tricks. Admission 8 cents.

Biggest event of the Season—Miller & Collins White Goods Sale—Feb. 1, 2, and 3.

GARRETT GATHERING

Births.
Born to Mr. and Mrs. Jonas Full-ton last Wednesday, a son.
Born to Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Stevens, last Saturday a girl.
Born to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Zimmerman last Friday a daughter.

Recital.
Quite a few Garrett people manifested their interest in talented girls by attending the recital given by the pupils of Della B. Livengood, Tuesday evening. Three of our Garrett girls, Misses Elizabeth and Florence Shober and Mildred Swarner took part in the recital and displayed much talent in the rendering of their compositions.

Personals.

Rev. H. H. Wiant of Berlin, spent last Thursday calling on Garrett friends.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Merrill returned from Monroe, N. Y., Saturday where they were visiting Mrs. Merrill's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Todd.

H. P. Jone of Somerset, was a Garrett visitor last Monday.

Mrs. Ida V. Brant and daughters Nell and Charlotte, were visitors at the home of Mr. E. Landis at Somerset over the week-end.

Mr. Loyde Schrock, returned to Garrett Sunday after spending a week in Cumberland.

Dr. and Mrs. R. M. McClellan and daughter Grace, spent Sunday with the doctor's parents, Rev. and Mrs. W. H. McClellan at Rockwood.

Miss Mayne Tucker, the popular Exchange operator, spent Friday and Saturday at Somerset.

Miss Rene Brant, spent from Thursday until Saturday at Berlin, as the guest of Mrs. R. Landis.

Mrs. Albert Bowlby, spent Friday at Cumberland with her daughter, Ivadene who is in the Allegheny Hospital.

Mr. Cecil Brown, was a visitor at Cumberland Sunday.

W. A. Merrill was transacting business at the county seat last week.

Mr. H. L. Fike, served as juror at Somerset last week. W. H. B. Carney substituted in the eighth grade for him.

Mrs. James McIntyre, returned to her home last Thursday from Coal Mont, where she attended the funeral of her father, A. G. Kreiger.

Miss June Ringer, spent the weekend at Johnstown visiting friends.

Miss Olive Bowlby, spent Sunday at Cumberland with her sister.

T. Boone Brown of Baltimore, Md., was transacting business in Garrett the earlier part of this week.

Mrs. W. A. Merrill, was a visitor in Meyersdale Tuesday.

Mrs. Wm. Kincaid and children, Garman, Carrie and William of Milford, visited Mrs. Kincaid's aunt, Mrs. Rena Hoover, Saturday.

Highway Budget.

State Highway Commissioner Black has made public the highway department budget for the years 1917 and 1918.

The official figures provide \$12,000,000 for the two years for highway construction; \$2,000,000 for building highways in boroughs, where the roads leading to each end of the boroughs are improved; \$3,000,000 for state-aid roads and maintenance; \$5,000,000 for the purchase of toll roads and toll bridges.

The department will ask the legislature for a township bonus deficiency for the years 1912, 1913 and 1914, amounting to \$1,350,000, and also for all of the automobile license fees which in two years will amount to \$6,000,000. The total to be asked for amounts to \$24,350,000.

Garrett from last Week.

Patients at Hospital.
Mrs. Lloyd Srock was taken to the Allegheny hospital Sunday evening, where she will undergo treatment for a complication of diseases. Mrs. Shrock was accompanied by her husband and mother, Mrs. James Kincaid of Hyndman.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bowlby took their daughter Ivadene to the Allegheny hospital Cumberland, Md., Monday morning, to be operated upon for appendicitis. The last reports both patients were resting well.

Returned from Hospital.
Mrs. W. H. Miller returned Sunday from Baltimore, Md., where she was taking treatment at the St. Agnes

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COAL PROPERTY CHANGES HANDS

A deal of considerable magnitude and of much local interest was consummated last week when the lease of the Brandenburg mine and the Ivy Ridge mine, operated by Wm. Fetters and J. E. Schmittle, of Rockwood, came into possession of W. H. Bradford & Co., of Philadelphia. The former mine lease was simply transferred to the new company, while in the latter case the lease was purchased outright. The deal was put through for the Philadelphia company by Lloyd C. McCrum of Somerset, who is interested in a number of other mining propositions in the county. The new company will be known as the Ivy Ridge Coal Mining company and will continue the operation of the mines J. E. Schmittle as superintendent.

This coal field contains about 1250 acres, about 200 of which have been taken out, and was originally developed by C. H. and J. M. Wolfersberger. About 12 years ago the property was sold to the Pennwood Coal company, a New York concern, who greatly improved the plant by the building of a new tipples, and the installation of the electric system for the handling of the mined product. This company operated the mines for several years, more or less successfully, and after several reorganizations it was sold to the Brandenburg Coal Mining company of Baltimore, who in turn leased it to Messrs. Fetters and Schmittle. These men operated the plant successfully for several years. Besides the tipple boiler room, motors, coal cars and other material necessary to operate a mining plant there is included in this property eight dwelling houses for miners which will be repaired and made fit to live in.

It is likely that Mr. Fetters will take his family to Florida to spend the balance of the winter, as soon as the matters of the old company are straightened out.

Local Mention.

Miss Margaret Hady, returned home on Sunday from a visit with relatives in Steubenville, Ohio.

Miss Stella McQuain, who has been spending some time in Akron, Ohio, returned home Sunday.

Miss Mary June Wiland, who teaches school at Sand Patch, spent Sunday with her parents.

Miss Nora Cox, a trained nurse from Pittsburg, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Cox, of the South Side.

C. E. Livengood, was a business visitor in Cumberland, Wednesday of this week.

J. L. Wilson, salesman for H. J. Lang Shoe company of Pittsburg, spent Sunday here with his family on Large street.

Mrs. Dietz and daughter, Miss Romaine, of Salisbury, were town visitors Wednesday.

Ex-Postmaster J. F. Naugle, left Wednesday for Pittsburg, to spend a week with his mother, who resides in that city.

H. E. Weighley, was a business visitor to Pittsburg Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Brown, of Connellsville, are the guests at the home of the latter's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Kyle, of Broadway street.

Esq. W. H. Hays of Beachly street, was confined to his home several days last week by an attack of asthma. He has recovered sufficiently, however, to be at the office and deal out justice to the offenders against the law.

S. R. McKinley of Salisbury, was caller at the home of his brother, Dr. H. C. McKinley on Tuesday.

Comrade Joel Bauman of Somerset, was a very welcome caller at this office today.

Miss Nellie Kocher and Mr. Oscar White of Akron, O., were married in that city recently. The couple were former residents of Meyersdale and well known in the city. Their friends here extend congratulations.



Watches that have been left for repairs and not called for and have been here over a year will be sold after January 20th.

T. W. Gurley the Jeweler.

THE GRIM REAPER

Recent Deaths of Those we Know here and who have joined the Silent Throne.

Mrs. Elizabeth O'Donnel
Last Monday, January 22nd, Mrs. Elizabeth O'Donnel of Romania died at the age of 66 years and 29 days. She was born at Wellersburg December 24th, 1850. Her maiden name was Shumaker. Her brothers are Jacob, John and Sylvester Shumaker of Wellersburg; her sisters Mrs. Sarah Tressler of Meyersdale, Mrs. Dellah Housel and Mrs. Mary Beal of Glencoe, and Susan Hying in the west.

Elizabeth Shumaker was married to Edward O'Donnel August 14, 1871. They lived the greater part of their married life in Somerset county, later at Sand Patch. Mr. O'Donnel died a number of years ago. The family consisted of seven children, 4 sons and 3 daughters. Two of the sons and one daughter have died. John lives at Romania and Michael at Connellsville. The daughters are Mrs. Robert Burkey of Romania and Mrs. Charles Keeper of Glencoe. The year just past Mrs. O'Donnel lived with her daughter Mrs. Burkey.

Funeral services were conducted at the home on Wednesday by Rev. Dr. Truxal and the remains were laid in the Union cemetery of this place. She was a member of Amity Reformed church.

Maude Tressler.

Miss Maude Tressler was born near Mt. Lebanon, and was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Tressler.

The family afterwards removed to Johnstown, where the deceased grew to womanhood.

Her death occurred on Monday, Jan. 22. The body was brought here on Train 22 on Monday and taken to Mr. Tressler and laid to rest beside that of her father who had preceded her to the tomb several years.

She leaves to mourn their loss, her loving mother and eight affectionate brothers and sisters.

Funeral services were held at her home in Johnstown by her pastor. The burial was in charge of J. E. Tressler, undertaker.

Mr. Lydia Bowser Landis.

Mrs. Lydia Bowser Landis, wife of Peter Landis of Meyersdale, died at her home on January 17th, after a long illness from a complication of ailments, including dropsy and heart disease. She was aged fifty-seven years, eight months and twenty-seven days, and all of her life was past at Meyersdale. Her husband and the following named children survive her: Mrs. Minnie Sartorius of Chasley, N. D.; William H. Landis of Greenville, Mrs. Irwin Shrock of Summit township, Mrs. D. A. Floto of Meyersdale, Raymond P. Landis and Grace Matthias, at home. The funeral service was conducted on Friday afternoon in the Brethren church at Meyersdale by Elder Silas Hoover, and buried by W. C. Price, undertaker.

John Keegan.

John Keegan, was born in Ireland 68 years ago. He emigrated to America many years ago and finally located in Meyersdale.

His death occurred at his home on the South Side, last Saturday. He is survived by his widow and several children.

Funeral services were held at the Catholic church this morning, by Rev. Fr. Brady, after which the remains were taken to Westernport, Md., for interment. R. Reich was the undertaker in charge.

An Infant.

Azie Thomas, aged 11 days, died at the residence on Keystone street, Monday, Jan. 22, and was buried on Wednesday at the Union cemetery, conducted by R. Reich, undertaker.

Basket-ball.

Last Tuesday evening the Tulips and the Alpha Five pulled off a very exciting game of basket-ball in the Boy Scout's hall. The features of the game was the playing of Martin of the Alpha Five. We append the result.

Tulip—21. Alpha Five—22.

Kelly r.f. Thomas Tipton l.g. Thomas Daugherty l.g. Martin Shardt c. Scott Harding r.g. Thomas

It will pay you to lay in your Summer Supply of White Goods at Miller & Collins Sale.

THIRTY-TWO YEARS AGO

A friend of the COMMERCIAL handed us a copy of the Meyersdale COMMERCIAL published August 22, 1884.

At that time the National campaign was on for president and those who recollect it will recall the stirring events, the brilliant campaign made by James G. Blaine against calumny, slander, money and corruption, as well as the treachery of those who should have been his friends.

As would be supposed the COMMERCIAL was an enthusiastic supporter of the Maine statesman, who was known throughout the country as the "Plumed Knight."

The paper before us is a little longer column than is at present used and all the type is hand set and there is several columns of it.

The advertisers are almost all out of business now, some, however, are familiar names today. In the first ad R. Reich advertises "City and Home made Furniture. Lints Grocery, near the Jones house follows, while Jodel & Parker; George J. Black; Meyersdale Foundry, Alex. Paul, agent; Sol Hile, dealer in watches and clocks; R. Risheberger, Contractor and Builder; L. Marrell, Undertaker; Miller & Collins, successors to N. E. Miller; The Slicer House; Dively's Planing Mill; D. Shultz, Planing Mill; John Wolf; W. B. Cook, Justice of the Peace; were each using the same space.

Mrs. M. E. Schrock, and Gents furnishing goods, of Somerset took the largest space used.

George W. Gassman also advertised stoves, and A. T. Hamill, "below the Jones House, kept Ice Cream." A. T. Shiple advertised hardware. J. O. Meyers Fertilizers and John M. Smith auctioneer, about makes up the list of advertisers.

One column was devoted to market reports by which we notice that "Fancy Gilt Edge butter sold at 14 to 15 cents, per pound, Early Rose potatoes 30 to 35 per bushel, Green Coffee 13 to 14 cents, roasted 16 to 17. Eggs, strictly fresh, 16 to 17 cents.

Among the locals we notice that Urias Smith offers his town property at private sale.

The population then increased the same as in these days of modern haste and hurry. We quote—"Our usual increase—great rejoicing in the domicile of August Rosenberger and Ex-Senator Groff, and twin blessings at Alf Broig's."

Several columns of personal and general local news items appear. The sheet is in a fine state of preservation and barring the effects of handling, is as white as the day it was published, something that does not occur to present day paper.

Birthday Anniversary.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Stein on North street was the scene of a very pleasant gathering last Saturday evening, when about twenty-five relatives and friends called for the purpose of assisting Mr. Stein to properly celebrate the anniversary of his birth. It was a genuine surprise to Mr. Stein and was greatly enjoyed by him as well as those present.

The evening was spent in playing various games, and several piano selections were rendered by Miss Velma Stein, and oysters, ice cream, cake and coffee were served by Mrs. Stein. A goodly number of useful and beautiful gifts were presented to Mr. Stein which were much appreciated. The guests departed for their homes at a late hour, wishing him many happy returns of the occasion.

Committee Appointments.

The assignments of members of the Senate and House to standing committees, were announced at Harrisburg on Tuesday, and they show the following assignments for the members from this county:

Senator J. W. Endersley—Agriculture, appropriations, forestry, mines and mining, public roads and highways, and chairman of the railroads committee.

Representative Lochr—Agriculture (chairman), counties and townships, education, legislative and apportionment, public buildings.

Representative Spetcher—Agriculture, education, game, and public roads.

INSURANCE OFFICIALS

At the Annual Meeting of the Somerset Mutual Fire Insurance company recently held in its Home Office, No. 11 East Patriot street, Somerset, Pa., the following officers and directors were elected to serve for the year 1917: J. P. Stalter of Somerset, President; Josiah Specht of Kantner, Vice President; Jonas M. Cook, Secretary-Treasurer & Manager; Chan M. Fisher of Somerset, Assistant Manager; R. C. Heffley of Berlin; V. M. Black of Confluence; J. C. F. Miller of Rockwood; R. M. Gochnour of Windber; I. P. Dull of Hooversville; and E. B. Granger, G. B. Hough, R. E. Beeris and M. J. Pritts of Somerset.

Meyersdale Junior Class Sleigh to Berlin.

The Junior Class of the Meyersdale High School sleighed over to Berlin Wednesday evening and passed several hours most delightfully at the Geo. Wetmiller home, Spring avenue. The time was passed in witty comments, games and other pleasantries, while a sumptuous supper was served by the hostess. Those making up the party were: Nelle Boucher, Helen Bolden, Anna Forquer, Mary Lockemy, Olive Lindeman, Elizabeth Leydig, Craig Diamond, Clara Rowe, Mary Siebl, Clara Bittner, Helen Wagner, Irvin Gress, Howard Gress, James Swank, John Fullem, Norman Sader, Redolphus Bowman, Michael Hady, Guy Floto. The party was chaperoned by the teachers, Misses Lauver, Beck and Piersol. They departed for Meyersdale about the mid-night hour, voting Mr. and Mrs. Wetmiller most hospitable entertainers.

New B. & O. Depot.

Yesterday Messrs Harry M. Cook and H. C. Clutton were visitors in Pittsburg, going as representatives of the Booster club, and appearing before the B. & O. officials. The officials from Baltimore were also present, and the representatives of the club presented the inadequacy of the depot here. The conditions were considered by the railroad people and assurances were given that the first depots that would be erected on this division would be at Meyersdale and Rockwood.

Messrs. Cook and Clutton speak very highly of consideration accorded them by the railroad people, and were very much pleased with their visit and its results. The condition of the present building, its inconveniences, and the volume of trade were all considered, and all conceded that a new building was needed, and it will be erected, no doubt, as soon as the company can reach it.

The thanks of the people of Meyersdale are due the committee of the Booster club for the manner in which the matter was presented and for the results it obtained.

SAND PATCH

Thomas Bracken Sr., was given a birthday surprise party on January 18th at his home in Manlia. The time was very enjoyable. Dancing, card playing and other amusing games were played, a delicious luncheon was served at 11 o'clock. There were many valuable presents received. Those who were present are as follows: Mr. and Mrs. James Kerrigan, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Cannon and family, Misses Annie Garlett, Jennie Garlett, Vesta Sharp, Emma Stone, Annie Kelly, Elizabeth Habel, Margaret Habel, Nellie Pfeiffer, Mabel Bracken, Messers Mack Kelly, Charles Broom, Edward Stone, Wm. Kassar, John Bittner, Jacob Bittner, John Habel Jr., Frank Keeper, Harold Ravenscroft, Simon Baughtman, A. A. Sharp, Mr. Hugh. Mrs. Alice Bear, was a Meyersdale shopper on Saturday.

Mac Kelly, was in town Saturday on very important business.

Get your cowbells ready boys for you will need them in a few days.

Mr. A. A. Sharp and family, were visiting friends in Salisbury Sunday.

Miss Mary Beal, was visiting friends in Sand Patch for a few days last week.

Mr. Edward Stone, was a Meyersdale visitor Saturday night. It appears that Mr. Stone has a girl on Broadway.

Fine sleighing up this way for all the rain we have had.

Don't forget the Dates of Miller & Collins White Sale—Feb. 1-2-3