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GARRETT GATHERING

Church Notices
Reformed—H. H. Wiart, pastor. S. S. 10 a. m.; Church 7:30 p. m.
Lutheran—W. H. B. Carney, pastor. S. S. 10 a. m.; church 7:30 p. m.
Brethren—B. F. Waltz, pastor. S. S. 10 a. m.; Church 2:30 p. m.
Evangelical—Rev. Hetrick, pastor. S. S. 10 a. m.; church 2:30 p. m.
Mid-week Services Wednesday evening 7 p. m.

Rev. and Mrs. W. A. McClellan and Miss Sallie Runkle of Rockwood were guests of Dr. and Mrs. R. M. McClellan Tuesday.

Mrs. Milton Bowby, Nevin and Myrtle left Wednesday morning for Akron, Ohio, where they will reside.

Mr. W. A. Merrill returned from West Virginia last Friday where he had been transacting business.

Rev. and Mrs. E. M. Detwiler returned to their home Monday after having spent two weeks at the home of Mr. H. B. Speicher.

Mrs. Dan Brant of Berlin, was a Garrett visitor Monday.

W. M. Henderson of McKeesport, spent Sunday and Monday in Garrett.

Mr. Lloyd Schrock visited at the home of his father-in-law, Mr. Jas. Kennel over the week-end.

Miss S. Brent visited at the home of his aunt Mrs. Ida U. Brant Sunday.

Mrs. Harry Bowman left Sunday for her home at New Castle, Pa., after having visited with her parents for several weeks.

Rev. and Mrs. B. F. Waltz of Salisbury spent last week calling on parishioners.

Miss Violet Johnson of Meyersdale spent the week-end as the guest of Evelyn Bowby.

Messrs Mahlon and Lewis Christner were in Somerset Saturday transacting business.

H. B. Speicher was a business visitor at Somerset Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Thompson and children visited relatives in Rockwood from Friday until Sunday.

BIRDS AND BIRD MUSIC

Authority on Feathered Warblers Coming to Somerset

Mr. Henry Oldys of Washington, D. C., late of the United States Department of Agriculture, will lecture on "Birds and Bird Music," illustrated with vocal reproductions of bird songs, at the court house assembly room on Tuesday evening, May 8th, under the auspices of the Civic Club and Junior Civic League.

After the lecture Mr. Oldys will answer, as far as his information permits, all questions that may be asked about birds and their singing. Mr. Oldys is an authority on birds and all lovers of birds should hear him.

"Bob" Meyers Gets Endsley's Job.

Robert S. Meyers has been appointed State Road Superintendent for Somerset county, vice Gilbert F. Endsley resigned. The appointment was made by Highway Commissioner Frank B. Black on Sunday at his "Hollan Farm" home, following an interview with Mr. Meyers, and will be officially announced this week at Harrisburg. Mr. Meyers relieved Superintendent Endsley yesterday morning when he came here from Johnstown and took charge of the local office of the State Road department. The new Road Superintendent has been connected with the Highway Department for limited periods during the past two or three years, the work assigned to him having been of the kind usually described as "special." Last season Mr. Meyers had charge of oiling the Lincoln Highway between Jemertown and Ligonier, and the season before he was in charge of the work done on the Somerset-Berlin road. The announcement of his appointment to succeed Superintendent Endsley was very gratifying to his wide circle of friends. The new Road Superintendent is a native of Brothersvalley township, being a son of the late David Meyers.

A Surprise Party

A surprise party was held on Miss Alberta Siel, last Thursday evening, April 26th. The evening was pleasantly spent in playing games, after which a dainty lunch was served. The guests were Velma Stein, Adelaide Reich, Stella Wagaman, Margaret Bowman, Irene Austin, Pauline Sell, Catherine Sell, Alberta Siel, Rollin Bear, Benjamin Shope, Harry Irwin, Warden Deeter and Clarence Schrock.

Notice to Dog Owners

The tax on dogs must be paid this week. Next Monday the constables and Policemen are authorized to kill all unlicensed dogs found in the Borough. See to it and be governed accordingly, as the officers will look 'em up.

SPECIAL BOOSTERS MEETING.

Business Men will Assist Farmers in Planting and Harvesting Crops.

TOWN LOTS WILL BE PLANTED.

Vacant Lots Around Town are nearly all Secured and Land will be Planted—Business Men and Mechanics Enthusiastic in Harvesting a Bumper Crop.

A special meeting of the Boosters Club was called for Monday evening at which time quite a number were in attendance.

President Cook called the meeting to order and stated the object of the meeting to be the discussion of the matter of cultivation of vacant lots, and the matter of giving assistance to the farmers who were so patriotically planting a much larger acreage than heretofore.

He read a number of communications from the State Department urging that every available foot be planted, as a patriotic duty, to avoid a scarcity. After his appeal to all to become interested, all the members realized that it was "a condition and not a theory which confronted us."

He also read a communication from Governor Brumbaugh asking that a committee of twenty persons be added to the committee on Public Safety, and the following were appointed: C. C. Hickie, W. P. Meyers, John Swearmen, W. H. Baldwin, James B. Hostetler, S. B. Philson, B. E. Shipley, Harry Kretschman, Walter Boose, Chas. Dice, Edwin M. Hay, Bird Bros., A. Scott, J. P. Naugle, Irvin Fike, Harvey L. Fike, R. D. Phaler, P. D. Clifton, E. M. Bowser, Wilson E. Walker, Robert Miller, F. A. Bittner.

The Secretary read a letter from the Secretary of Commerce and Labor giving the visible supply of grain and the percentage as compared with previous years, which showed that a small decline in the crops of 1917 would entail suffering throughout not only the U. S., but throughout Europe as well.

R. F. Phaler urged that all business men give a few days work each, to the farmer to assist in planting and harvesting and volunteered his services for that purpose.

Mr. Cyrus Bird offered 20 acres of land for which he would furnish fertilizer, if some one would sow to buckwheat, and several acres of hill land well adapted to growing beans. This proposition was accepted by the Club, and will be worked by the voluntary services of the members, and a committee of three was appointed to act as a committee of Ways and Means.

Prof. Kretschman reported that he had about 25 acres of land which was sown to oats last year, which he would be pleased to rent to some one who would cultivate.

Dr. Large reported 1/2 acre in the Borough which he would be pleased to have cultivated. This lot is in a splendid state of cultivation. Several other lots are open to applicants.

A committee on Survey was appointed consisting of John M. Weimer, W. H. Deeter, C. C. Heckle, Edison Hay and Cyrus Bird.

This Committee will locate all vacant lots that may be secured, arrange for persons to plant same, arrange for seed and plowing. Any one having lots or vacant land should report to this Committee, and persons who desire to plant lots or land in grain of any kind, potatoes or beans, should get into communication with this committee at once. Farmers and others having potatoes for seed, even though they be small and unmarketable should get into communication, at once, with some member of the committee. One party has secured 5 or 6 bushels of unmarketable potatoes at \$1 per bushel. This is very low but they make good seed and the merchant is selling them at cost.

The question of assistance to the farmer in planting and harvesting was brought up and all the business men present promised assistance of a few day's work. A committee was appointed to arrange for such labor whenever the farmer said he needed it. The Committee is A. W. Poorbaugh, W. H. Baldwin, Prof. Kretschman, R. D. Phaler and R. G. Miller.

A Committee, consisting of Prof. Kretschman, Thomas McKenzie and H. D. Martin was appointed on Proposition, to whom any person who has land to cultivate or seeds to sell or who wants to cultivate ground or arrange for seeds or labor may apply.

The unanimous sentiment of those present was that it is necessary to unite to work in harmony, not only the Military and Naval forces, but the miner or the tradesman will in 97 time, cultivate a small part of the earth's surface, that he is assisting to conquer the German Monarchy, and thereby rid the world of militarism, and bring about a lasting peace.

Two Sentenced to the Pen.

Fred Cox and Beal Walker, two Knights of the Road, appeared before Judge Ruppel in Chambers on Monday morning and pleaded guilty to breaking and entering a car loaded with merchandise. The information was made by a B. & O. police officer. Each was sentenced to pay a fine of \$5 and to undergo imprisonment in the western penitentiary for a minimum period of two years and for not more than three years.

Parent-Teacher Meeting

The Somerset Parent-Teacher Association held an unusually interesting meeting at High School Chapel on Tuesday evening. Judge Singleton Bell delivered an interesting address on "The Boys and Girls." Dr. I. Hess Wagner spoke of the Boy Scout's movement, Miss Sue Berkey explained the work of the Camp Fire Girls, and Joseph Levy discussed the Community Building proposition. After pointing out a number of advantages that would derive to the citizens of this town, and particularly to the visitors—the persons who come to town to transact business, Mr. Levy suggested that the question of revenue for a county building would be an easy matter if there was co-operation. Somerset has, he said, from fifty to seventy-five clubs or organizations, and that if they would combine their energies a Community Building could be secured.

Berlin Minister Has Resigned

After a pastorate of thirteen years the Rev. H. H. Wiart of Berlin has tendered his resignation to the officers of the Zion Reformed Church, to take effect next month. He has accepted a call from a Pittsburgh church. The Rev. Mr. Wiart has been very popular with all classes, and has been a leader in all movements, intended for the betterment of conditions at Berlin and vicinity. He was one of the most active in making the Berlin Chau-tauqua a success.

DEEDS RECORDED

Town and County Properties Which Have Changed Ownership

The following real estate transfers have been recorded by Recorder Custer since our last week report.

The largest real estate deal consummated in Somerset County last week was the transfer of two hundred and twenty-five acres of land in Black Township, near Rockwood Borough, by Irwin Wolf and Edward E. Miller to John C. Cosgrave, for a consideration of \$70,000. The deal reflects the rapid development of Somerset County's minerals. Messrs. Wolf and Miller acquired the land in December, 1915, for about \$10,000, and since then they opened a mine and operated a coal plant on the south side of the Casselman River.

Other realty deals recorded within the last week, are the following:

Jerome Fritz to J. E. McCarny, in Somerset Township, for \$5,000.

E. D. Mostoller to John A. Schardt, in Meyersdale, for \$900.

Josiah Maurer to D. B. Zimmerman, in Quemahoning, for \$5,400.

Peter Miller to E. S. Miller, in Somerset Township, for \$3,000.

Josiah Naugle to Simon Naugle, in Quemahoning Township, for \$6,500.

L. D. Reed to C. L. Bartholome, in Paint Township, for \$2,500.

H. J. Specht to Wm. Winters, in Sloystown, for \$2,900.

Chas. J. Harrison to Nelson Sanner, in Black, for \$1,594.

Davis A. Nicholson to Solomon Johnson, in Upper Turkeyfoot, for \$1,200.

Wills Wingard to Daniel Yoder, in Paint Township, for \$2,000.

Wilson H. Maurer to D. B. Zimmerman, in Lincoln, for \$100.

F. B. Coder to Nelson Saylor, in Middlecreek, for \$4,500.

No. 34 B. Coder to F. R. Coder, in Middlecreek, for \$3,000.

M. W. Haugher to F. R. Coder, in Somerset Borough, for \$2,800.

H. H. Gardner to R. H. Speicher, in Rockwood, for \$2,300.

Buffalo Lumber Company to John Lochrie, in Allegheny, for \$1.

Alice F. Umberger to Shade Creek Coal Company, Shade township, \$5,000.

Mary A. Mock's administrator to William S. Umberger, Shade Township, \$700.

William S. Umberger to Alice L. Umberger, Shade Township, \$100.

Frederick Helman to George Speet Shade Township, \$60.

Godfrey Cable to George Speet, Shade Township, \$10.

Ida M. Lindman and husband to Stella E. Cook, Meyersdale, \$2,250.

Christian C. Horcher to Cyrus Rodamer, Elk Lick Township, \$3,000.

Perfecto Fernandez to William H. Miller, Brothersvalley Township, \$160.

Cevilla Brant to Albert C. Meyers, Northampton Township, \$2,500.

Jonas Saylor's heirs to Arthur House, Summit Township, \$3,400.

Charles J. Harrison, Jr., to Black Coal Company, Somerset Township, \$2,000.

WAR TALK FORBIDDEN.

Judge Ruppel Enjoins The Local 'Boards of Strategy' from Discussing War Subjects in Bar rooms.

Judge Ruppel laid down a rule on Monday morning warning holders of liquor licenses to prohibit war discussions in the hotels, and particularly in the bar-rooms which "is used as a sort of rendezvous for alien enemies and other aliens," and "where there is much disloyal and offensive discussion." "Failure to observe this rule in its most rigid and strict construction," says the Court, "will be regarded as sufficient for the revocation of a license."

The United States authorities have called my attention to the fact that Landlords are not as careful as they should be in regard to discussions in matters affecting our present attitude towards foreign Governments, and that at places the bar room "is used as a sort of rendezvous for alien enemies and other aliens and there is much disloyal and offensive discussion there."

"It is highly important that all our citizens refrain from the use of offensive or abusive language at this time."

"It is also important that discussions as to the policy of our Government and other matters affecting our National welfare be treated as much as possible and therefore persons holding licenses for the sale of liquor are warned that they must see to it that no language which could be construed as offensive to citizens of other countries or which is in any way disloyal to our Government or at variance with the policy of our Government be permitted in the bar rooms or about the hotels or offices where such licenses are held."

"Failure to observe this rule in its most rigid and strict construction will be regarded as sufficient for the revocation of a license."

WANTED 20-YEAR LIMITATION

In the opinion of Representative Charles H. Sloan of Nebraska the House made a grave mistake in not limiting the term of the bond issue recently authorized, instead of providing that such conditions shall be "as the Secretary of the Treasury shall prescribe." While other nations have never repudiated their debts, so far as he is aware, Mr. Sloan contends that loans from one nation to another have never before been made on such a stupendous scale as is now contemplated, and that it might almost be worth a revolution and change of government in a country in order to repudiate a national debt of a billion dollars. Congressman Sloan embodied his ideas in an amendment providing for a 20-year limitation on three billion dollars of the bonds, but his proposition was voted down by the House.

Married Guardsmen Will Not Be Discharged if Able to Support Families.

The published statement that married guardsmen would be discharged from the military service of the government was premature and unauthorized by the War Department. Gen. W. A. Mann, chief of the militia bureau at Washington has forwarded the following communication to state military officials:

"When a man's means are ample for the support of his family in his absence or where his business can be so conducted in his absence as to afford a means of support for his family, discharge should not be granted. The object of discharging men as provided in the circular letter is to avoid working a hardship upon dependent members of their families and to obviate the necessity of payment of benefits to such members while the soldier is in federal service."

A WINNER IN DEMOCRATIC DISTRICT

Washington, May 2.—(Special Correspondence) — Representative Oscar E. Bland of Indiana, before his election to Congress, was prominent in the legislature of his State in the support of much legislation for the benefit of the working classes, and was the author of the 1-cent fare law now in operation. By his wholehearted endeavors for the welfare of his district until, in his fourth attempt, he succeeded in restoring to the Republican column a community which has sent a Democrat to the House for the last eight years. Mr. Bland's previous legislative experience and his ability as a lawyer is sure to win a conspicuous place for him in the National House.

Entertain L. B. F. Club

Mr. D. J. Meyers, entertained the L. B. F. Club at home on Salisbury street, Thursday afternoon. The ladies spent the afternoon saving. Refreshments were served.

SALISBURY SIFTINGS

Brief Mention

Mrs. Elijah Livengood accompanied by her son D. W. Livengood went to Philadelphia on Wednesday, where she will undergo an operation for her eyesight.

Prof. J. C. Beahm of Connellsville spent the week-end with his family.

Fred Hummel of Pittsburg spent a few days in town visiting his wife.

Miss Mary Alice Beal of Pittsburg is visiting at her home.

Miss Nelle Stotler spent from Sunday until Tuesday with her brother, C. E. Stotler of Somerset.

Clarence Rhodes has returned to his duties in High School after being confined to his home with a period of illness.

Misses Ada Glotfelty, Zilpha Stotler, and Josephine McMerdo spent Thursday afternoon in Meyersdale shopping.

A number of foreigners have been arrested in coal run for selling liquor, unlicensed and to minors.

Miss Maud Schram and niece, little Ruth Lichty, spent Friday afternoon in Meyersdale.

The town council have appointed Harry Smearman as police on Saturday.

Mrs. A. M. Lichty, Misses Marie Wagner, Annabel Dietz, Elizabeth Lichty and Fay Lichty motored to Cumberland on Tuesday.

Mrs. Lorena Reitz is spending this week in Meyersdale.

Peter L. Livengood of Huntingdon spent the week-end at his home on Grant street.

Roy Folk returned on Tuesday from Detroit, Michigan.

Dr. Clark Maust who has recently returned from Detroit left on Tuesday for W. Va., where he will practice.

James Harding is building a garage to house two cars.

Miss Ruth Beahm made a shopping expedition to Meyersdale on Friday afternoon.

Alfred Ringler went to Pittsburg on Sunday.

Sick and Convalescing

Dr. A. J. Livengood is recovering nicely from an attack of Typhoid fever.

Miss Anna Speicher is numbered, among the sick this week.

Andy Smith returned on Saturday from Altoona Hospital where he underwent treatment for blood-poisoning.

George E. Engle is suffering from an attack of typhoid fever.

George Beal is recovering from a case of blood-poison which was contracted by an infected instep.

The quarantine for diphtheria was taken from the home of J. C. Treva-ton on Monday. Little Dorothy who was sick has recovered entirely.

From Detroit to Salisbury

Messrs. Harry Knecht, Wm. Dietz, Walter Johns, and George Bowman brought four new Reo's from Detroit on Friday. Three touring-cars and one truck, for the Knecht Garage.

Reading Circle Organized

The Up-Streamers Bible Class of the Church of the Brethren have organized a Reading Circle to study the books as prescribed in the regular mission course. The meetings will occur semi-monthly and will be held in the homes of the various members. The first meeting, Friday, April 25, was held at the home of Florence Newman, Gay street.

Walker and Smearman families to move.

John Walker will move his family and household effects to Boswell, Pa., on Saturday.

Mrs. J. T. Smearman will hold public sale at her residence after which she and her family will reside in Akron.

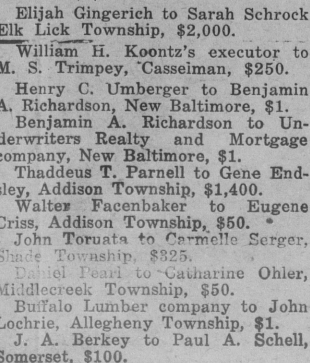
SOME PERSONAL OBSERVATIONS

During the debate on the bond bill, a few days ago, Senator Frank B. Kellogg, of Minnesota, gave an interesting sidelight on the European war. He said that he was in Europe when the war broke out and had a more or less intimate acquaintance in Germany and in the other countries now at war. "I found among the people of Germany and the people of France no hatred of each other," said Senator Kellogg, "and they could not understand why they were plunged into the horrors of war." He gave it as his own opinion that this is "the old, struggle between autocracy and democracy."

Miss Donnecker Surprise

Class No. 14 of the M. F. Sunday School gave their teacher Miss Alma Donnecker, a surprise Thursday evening. A happy evening was spent in playing games, after which refreshments were served by the girls of the class.

3 lbs. good Rice for 35 cents at Bittner's Grocery



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