

# Correspondence

Items Gathered by  
**THE CITIZEN STAFF**  
About the County.

**Sterling.**  
MARCH 12th.—As we recently wrote, Orville, a son of R. L. Cross, was last week taken to Dr. Burns' private hospital, in Scranton, and operated on for the result of a kick he received in the hip years before, while at school, and we are now pleased to say that the operation promises to be a success.  
On the 11th, at Centon, Mr. Cross's wife's father, "Met" Burrus, was buried, and all of Mr. Cross's folks attended the funeral.  
On December 22, 1908, H. H. Robacker kindly took Rev. Edward McMillan and family to Moscow, and on the 11th he brought them home again, Mr. McMillan having spent the time in a Brooklyn hospital. We are very sorry to say that he is no better than when he left here, and now will again receive treatment from Dr. Simons. The family are occupying the parsonage.  
On the 21st it is expected Rev. S. B. Murray, of Ariel, will once more preach here.  
As we also stated previously, Rev. J. H. Boyce, of Salem, officiated at the funeral of Mrs. Mary J. Foster, on the 9th, and G. O. Gillett furnished a beautiful quartered oak casket. The floral offerings were also very beautiful. Mrs. Foster united with the M. E. church August 18, 1895, and was a consistent member. The Ladies' Aid, of which she was a member, attended the funeral in a body. The following friends from a distance were also present: Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Reynolds, and son, Harry, of Cross Forks, Potter Co.; Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Lewis and daughter Maud, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Weidman, and Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Rutan, of Scranton.  
This evening, at the I. O. O. F. Hall, a box social was given by the High School students, and over \$30 was realized as a nucleus for a library for the school. A number spent a very pleasant evening, and we certainly think the social was a success.  
We are all surprised to hear Dame Rumor in regard to the burning of the high school building.

**Steens.**  
MARCH 15th.—The Rev. Mr. Davis, of Waymart, preached a very interesting sermon at the M. E. chapel here on Sun-

day afternoon, taking for his text the 37th verse of the 12th chapter of Mark, "David therefore himself calleth him Lord, and whence is he then his son; and the common people heard him gladly," which was a very good text for the occasion, as there was a full house to listen to the remarks of the pastor. It being his farewell sermon, people flocked in from all quarters; but it is hoped that the conference will send Mr. Davis back to his old charge at Waymart. Steene and Prompton have sent petitions for his return. At the close of his sermon, Mr. Davis kindly thanked the congregation for their courtesy and kindness to him, and explained what the people at Steene had done during the past year in repairing their chapel and paying their minister—everything being paid in full. At the close of his remarks the Sunday school was reorganized for the coming year, commencing April 4th. The following were appointed to fill the offices: Superintendent, John A. Haley; Assistant Superintendent, David Wonnacott; Secretary, Lesley Mills; Assistant Secretary, Harry Wood; Treasurer, Florence Dennie; Organists, Olive Haley and Florence Dennie.  
The net proceeds from the box social at the chapel last Wednesday evening were \$11.70; seven boxes bringing \$9.70 and the guessing contest at 10 cents a guess amounting to \$2.  
Up to the present time the Bobolink has made eighteen gallons of A No. 1 syrup.  
After a three months' illness Mrs. William Cole is able to be around again.

**Sherman.**  
MARCH 13.—Sugar making and house cleaning seem to be the topics of the day.  
Missionary meeting was held at the home of Mrs. D. Arneke last Wednesday.  
W. O. Curtis spent last week in Honesdale.  
Miss Estella McAvoy spent Sunday in Deposit.  
Rev. Chas. Moon and family have returned from Stroudsburg. During their absence the ladies of the church papered the parsonage and had everything ready for their homecoming. We welcome them in our midst.

A very pleasant surprise party was given B. W. Raymond at his home last Saturday afternoon, it being his sixty-third birthday. About fifty were present and a most enjoyable time it was. The phonograph furnished some very fine selections. Supper was served at 5 p. m., and they did all eat, after which the phonograph gave us the 23d Psalm and Lord's Prayer, closing with "God be with You 'Till We Meet Again." The crowd then dispersed; wishing Mr. and Mrs. Raymond many such occasions.

**Bethany.**  
MARCH 15th.—On March 8th, from 3:30 to 6 o'clock, a birthday surprise party was given Clarion Hauser, at his home, and his many little friends helped him celebrate his eighth birthday. Games were played, after which fine refreshments were served. Those present were Doris and Mabel Blake, Helen Bennett, Stella Dudley, Laura Dodson, Florence Manning, Claude Adams, Bicknell Bennett, Samuel Blake, Millard Cody, Raymond Henderson, Marshall Ward, Duane Signor, and Frederic Dodson. Clarion received a number of gifts.  
Mrs. Lavinia Pethick left during the week for Hawley, to visit her son, Harry W. Pethick and family.  
Mrs. Kate Clemo is visiting friends in Oneonta, N. Y.  
Rev. and Mrs. W. B. Signor spent several days last week with friends at Carley Brook.  
Mrs. Judson Faatz and son Charles returned Wednesday evening last from Scranton.  
Rev. Mr. Cody attended court in Honesdale last week.  
Mrs. Ernest Paynter, of Carbondale, and Charles W. Sutton, of Hancock, N. Y., are visitors at the Lavo home.  
Miss Clara Ballou left last Monday for Wilkes-Barre.  
The Misses Cody and Gammell, and Russell Starnes joined Pleasant Valley Grange last Friday evening.  
Mrs. Cody returned from Honesdale, on Friday.  
The T. I. C.'s, with their friends, will celebrate St. Patrick's Day at the home of Ella Gammell, on Wednesday evening.  
Amos Ward was unable to go to Washington, on account of having the grip.  
Alexander Stephenson went to Lookout, Saturday, with a load of household furniture.  
Those who attended the supper and social at the Manse, last Wednesday evening, had a very enjoyable time.  
Ella Gammell spent Sunday with her cousin, Miss Bessie Kimble, at Pleasant Valley.  
A box social will be given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Webb, on Thursday evening. Proceeds for Rev. W. B. Signor's salary.

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**Indian Orchard.**  
MARCH 15th.—The recent rains have made the roads very muddy the past week.  
Several at this place are busily engaged at making maple syrup and sugar. It is reported that the season has been a good one thus far.  
Mrs. Case is quite ill with pneumonia. Mrs. Case has sold her farm to Mr. Tiel, of White Mills.  
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Budd, of the Central House, Beach Lake, spent Sunday with the latter's brother, Earl C. Ham.  
The sale on the John Williams farm at Genuingtown on Monday last was well attended and most articles sold at a good figure. Cows were sold from \$22 to \$38 per head.  
Mrs. A. M. Henshaw is visiting her sister, Mrs. R. B. Marshall, of Beach Lake, who is ill with a severe attack of the grip.  
The ladies of Beach Lake and vicinity will give Mrs. John Neal a birthday surprise to-day.  
William Daniels, Jr., a traveling salesman was calling on friends at this place on Friday last. Mr. D., is meeting with good success.  
Charles E. Neal, of East Beach Lake, spent several days recently renewing friendships in New York city.  
T. B. Marshall, of Bethany, received a letter from his brother of Sonora, California, recently in which it was stated that the winter had been a wet one at Sonora, but a few miles up the mountain the snow was more than twenty feet deep and it still continued to snow. He also said that his granddaughter, Miss Charlotte Lord, has been promoted and now receives a salary of \$1,500 per year.  
Mrs. Harry Wood attended the wedding of Miss Vera Keyes, of Clark's Summit last week.  
Ezra Case, of Welcome Lake, and Moses Dexter, of Atco, were visitors at this place, last week.  
Earl Ham, O. W. Treverton, Charles Spry, Ralph Spry, W. H. Marshall and Neal Marshall were calling on friends in the vicinity of Forest Lake on Friday last.  
Mr. Avery, of the Bethel Farm, is driving a fine pair of black horses.  
A. M. Henshaw has purchased a fine three year-old colt of Mr. McMullen, of Bethany.  
We have been informed that as soon as Mr. Bunting and family vacate the McCarty farm, David Oliver and wife will take possession of same.

**Texas Speaker Forced to Resign.**  
Austin, Tex., March 16.—In compliance with a resolution passed by a majority of its members Speaker Kennedy of the house resigned, and John J. Marshall was then unanimously elected speaker.

**ROOSEVELT INSPECTS OUTFIT**  
Cees His Tents Pitched and Packs His Guns.  
Oyster Bay, N. Y., March 16.—Assisted by a member of the firm which supplied a greater part of his personal outfit for the African trip, ex-President Roosevelt made a careful inspection of the articles.  
Mr. Roosevelt saw his small tents pitched on the lawn and everything put in order for occupancy. Every detail of the outfit was gone over, and in various instances deficiencies were pointed out by Mr. Roosevelt. These missing parts will be packed in New York. Part of the outfit was taken back to New York, and it will be placed on board the steamer Hamburg at Hoboken during the week.  
The ex-president was enthusiastic during the inspection of the outfit and expressed himself as being highly pleased with the clever manner in which the materials were made and packed.  
Before finally packing his guns Mr. Roosevelt took them out to his target range and discharged each half a dozen times. He succeeded in hitting the bullseye in a majority of the shots during the practice.

**BRYAN MAY BE SENATOR.**  
Intimates That He May Be Candidate Before Nebraska Legislature.  
Chicago, March 16.—William J. Bryan in an interview here intimated that he would be a receptive if not an active candidate for the United States senate from Nebraska in 1911 to succeed Elmer J. Burkett, Republican.  
"I do not know yet whether I shall be a candidate," said Mr. Bryan. "If there seems a good chance to elect to the senate some other Nebraska Democrat it will please me better than to be a candidate myself. I would not say that I would under no circumstances accept the nomination."

**Weather Probabilities.**  
Rain or snow; light variable winds.

**HALF A THOUSAND ATHLETES**  
Country's Best Will Compete in New York Athletic Club's Games Tonight.  
New York, March 16.—More than 500 of the country's best athletes, assembled from cities as far apart as Boston and Chicago and including all of the leading men of muscle and speed of this city, will contend at the annual indoor meet of the New York Athletic club tonight.  
In addition to all the prominent club amateurs, a host of the best college track men will be seen from Yale, Harvard, Princeton, Columbia, Dartmouth and other colleges.  
The program contains four relay races, ten handicap events and four scratch races, the latter being invitation events, and a 440 yard run and a mile walk for novices.

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**Lost or Stolen.**

All persons are hereby cautioned against receiving or negotiating interest Department Bank Book, No. 3577, issued by the Honesdale National Bank to Robert Rickert, as said book has been lost or stolen. Payment has been stopped, and I have made application for the issue of a new book.  
JOHN RICKERT.  
Honesdale, March 5, 1909. 2096

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## LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF MILWAUKEE.

### BALANCE SHEET, JANUARY 1, 1909.

ASSETS.		LIABILITIES.	
United States and other bonds, Market value.....	\$72,864,185 00	Present value of installments not due.....	\$ 1,270,245 00
Loans on Mortgages.....	129,213,585 24	Death claims and Endowments unadjusted.....	735,035 48
Secured by first liens on Real Estate, valued at.....	\$390,791,362 00	(Including losses for which no proofs had been received December 31st, 1908.)	
With fire and other insurance as collateral security.....	63,873,140 00	Taxes due or accrued.....	256,622 56
Loans on Company's policies secured by reserves thereon.....	33,440,200 51	Dividends due and on deferred premiums not due, etc.....	699,411 56
Premium notes secured by reserves on policies.....	533,804 13	Unpaid accounts not presented, etc.....	198,385 88
Real Estate (including Home Office Building).....	2,112,626 68	Reserve on policies, Actuaries 4%, American 3%.....	212,091,433 00
Deposited in banks at interest.....	3,078,037 80	Reserve for Annuities.....	961,440 00
Cash on hand.....	104,965 41	Accumulations held to meet Semi-Tontine contracts payable in 1909 and subsequently.....	20,826,448 73
Accrued Interest and Rents.....	4,055,779 26	Funds held for annual dividends payable in 1909.....	\$6,520,551 27
Of the \$5,831,533 36 interest earned on mortgages in 1908 only \$27,782 30 or less than 1/2 of 1 per cent. was due and unpaid January 1st, 1909.		Unassigned Funds (Surplus).....	4,465,646 40
Due and deferred premiums (less loading).....	2,622,335 85	Total Liabilities.....	\$248,025,219 88
Total Admitted Assets.....	\$248,025,219 88		

**1908 RECORD.**

Insurance in force January 1, 1909 (paid for).....	\$944,576,618
Increase of Insurance in force (paid for).....	63,013,028
New business written and paid for in 1908.....	109,773,709
Largest year in Company's history.	
Assets January 1, 1909.....	248,025,220
Increase in Assets.....	15,205,973
Income during 1908.....	46,667,164
Increase in Income.....	3,024,573
Dividends paid in 1908.....	9,428,133
Increase in Dividends paid.....	1,516,848
Payments to Policyholders in 1908.....	26,947,168
Increase in Payments to Policyholders.....	3,499,196
Increase in Mortgage Loans.....	7,473,948
Increase in Loans on Policies.....	3,228,368
Decrease in Expenses and Taxes (notwithstanding an increase in Taxes of \$57,508.....	85,663

**RECORD OF NEW INSURANCE PAID-FOR.**

1904.....	\$ 73,876,046.	Larger than any previous year.
1905.....	90,334,038.	Larger than any previous year.
1906.....	98,563,452.	Larger than any previous year.
1907.....	102,233,634.	Larger than any previous year.
1908.....	109,773,709.	Larger than any previous year.

**EXPENSE RATIO.**

Ratio of Expenses and Taxes to Income, 1902.....	14.91%
Ratio of Expenses and Taxes to Income, 1903.....	14.43%
Ratio of Expenses and Taxes to Income, 1904.....	13.93%
Ratio of Expenses and Taxes to Income, 1905.....	13.99%
Ratio of Expenses and Taxes to Income, 1906.....	13.63%
Ratio of Expenses and Taxes to Income, 1907.....	13.65%
Ratio of Expenses and Taxes to Income, 1908.....	12.61%

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