

# CORRESPONDENTS' COLUMNS

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## SPREADING INFORMATION

### ALDENVILLE.

Mrs. Schuman and Mrs. Walker were visitors at the home of C. H. Wilmarth last week.

Charles Westgate and family were guests at the home of C. C. Lozier last Monday and Tuesday.

Kate Burns, of Clinton, and Miss Mary Scott of Carbondale, were visitors at the home of E. V. Moran last Monday.

The entertainment given by the High school on Friday evening was attended by a large crowd. A pleasing program was rendered.

Fitze Brothers are putting a concrete cellar wall under the store building.

Wm. Gummoe is doing a rushing business at his cider mill just at present.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Hankins are moving to Prompton.

Mr. and Mrs. George Gaylord's little son, Reginald, who was kicked by a colt, Sunday evening, is all right again.

Things were disturbed in general around the town Halloween, but no particular harm was done; apparently soap was very plentiful. Those who suffered the most are C. C. Lozier, because of the loss of a bama gilly tree, and M. D. Fitze, because of the loss of some lumber.

Work on the ball ground was continued last Saturday afternoon, but very few were there and a number who had promised to be there to aid in the work did not put in their appearance. Work will not be continued on the ground this Saturday as a number who had promised to help in the work cannot do so. Since it seems so difficult to accomplish much in the improvement of the ground by means of work given gratis, a paper will be circulated and a cash donation requested which will be used to pay for labor for the improvement of the ground. As a ball game once in a while helps business and livens up the town, it is hoped that donations will be given freely and willingly.

### HAMILTON.

The Book Club was entertained at the home of Miss Alice Hamlin on Thursday afternoon, Oct. 28th.

Miss Edna Chamard left on Thursday for a week's visit with Mrs. George Collins of Honesdale.

Miss Ada Sadler, who has been keeping home for her father here for some weeks past, has returned to Honesdale.

Mrs. C. M. Loring entertained at dinner on Thursday Mrs. Ches. Pellett and Miss Frank Pellett, of Paupack, and Ada Sadler and Mrs. George.

On Thursday evening Mrs. Minnie Brooks very pleasantly entertained the young ladies of town in honor of the birthday of her daughter, Alice. Sandwiches, cake, coffee, and all report an enjoyable evening.

Mrs. Loring has as a guest her mother, Mrs. Williams, of Canaan.

Miss Florence Boyce is attending the Teachers' Institute at Honesdale. She is accompanied by her sister, Laura.

Our stone crusher is running at present and work on the road is being pushed vigorously.

District Superintendent M. D. Fuller, D. D., will hold Quarterly Conference at Hamilton, Nov. 20, at 2 p. m. and on Sunday, the 21st, services at Bidwell Hill at 2:30 and at Maplewood at 7 o'clock.

Rev. J. H. Boyce is conducting revival meetings in Hollisterville. Mrs. Wm. E. Blandy, evangelist of Dalton, is expected next Sunday, the 7th, to assist in the work for two weeks.

George Peet, Jr., has gone to Deposit, N. Y., where he has secured employment for the winter.

Mrs. Arthur Becker was in Scranton on Wednesday.

Irvin LaBarr and family expect to return here for the winter.

### HAWLEY & WILSONVILLE.

Mrs. Richard Phillips, of Forest Lake, was in town on Friday.

Anthony Kotesch was called to Scranton on Wednesday on account of the illness of his brother, Andrew.

The blacksmiths, Messrs. Dunn and Runyon, who run a shop near the middle railroad crossing, have sold their business and moved to Scranton where they will engage in the same business.

Mrs. D. J. Branning spent the past week with her sister in Scranton.

Mr. Andrew, of Lords Valley, moved his family in the Spinner house at Wilsonville on Monday.

The Epworth League of the M. E. church will hold a dime social at the home of Mae Killam on Wednesday night.

Mrs. Perry, of Tafton, visited Hawley friends on Friday.

William Perry has moved his family from Hawley to Rowlands where he will work in the lumber woods for Senator Rowland.

Martin May, of Winding Hill, was

a caller at Wilsonville on Sunday afternoon.

The Ladies' Aid of the Presbyterian church met at the manse on Wednesday. A nice social time was spent and an excellent dinner served. The work of the day was some fine quilting on a quilt belonging to a Honesdale lady. There were two guests present—Mrs. Thorpe, of Ohio, and Mrs. Coe Durland, of Honesdale. This society, although few in number, are indefatigable workers, as a result their efforts always bring success so that all may expect to find the choicest line of fancy and useful articles from which to select a Xmas gift at their fair to be held the first week in December, the date to be announced later.

T. A. Bell, who now lives at Carbondale, last week sold his fine residence, situated on Belmont Ave., to G. Matter, the flour and feed merchant.

The funeral of Jacob Breithaupt, who shot himself on Monday last, was held on Wednesday and was attended by a large number of people. Interment was made at the Eddy cemetery.

Rev. Charles Smally, of Utah, has accepted a call to the Baptist church of Hawley. He preached in the church on Sunday last and made a very favorable impression.

P. J. Keary will take a load of buckwheat to the grist mill at Ledgedale to-day.

Mrs. George Heichelbeck called on her friend, Mrs. Elsie Groner, of the East Side, on Saturday last.

Grant Williams has returned from Beach Lake where he spent a week with his brother. Much of his time was passed in hunting, having bagged a large supply of rabbits to bring home with him.

District Superintendent M. T. Fuller delivered an interesting sermon in the M. E. church on Sunday morning.

Mabel Sleezer and friend passed Sunday with the former's parents at Fowlertown.

Victor Decker, cashier of the First National Bank, of Hawley, has moved his family in their new home, the palatial residence recently purchased of Mrs. Treadwell on the East Side.

Mrs. Henry Plum entertained the past week her brother-in-law, Edward Denning, of Massachusetts.

### DREHER.

Thirty-six members of the Moravian Ladies' Aid Society visited the German Valley Ladies' Aid on Wednesday, Nov. 3. The gathering was held in the church where the talking, working and the dinner was also served and the day pleasantly spent. The visitors report having the time of their lives and such a feast of good things that they will be tempted to repeat the visit.

Chair Beesoecker, aged about 8 years, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Beesoecker, has been a severe sufferer from a swelling in his groin caused by a fall. A short time ago, he, with other boys, were engaged in play at school (baseball) and in making a run he was tripped by another boy and fell heavily on a ball that was in his pocket. He began complaining at once and Dr. Simons was called. It continued to increase in size and became more painful.

On Wednesday the eruption was operated upon and a large amount of pus taken out. At this writing the little fellow is resting easier.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hause are keeping house in Reuben Beesoecker's house on the flats.

F. D. Waltz has lately installed a three-barrel gasoline tank and will keep a supply of gasoline for the needy.

The State road in Dreher is nearly completed and none too soon for the imported laborers as they, as a rule, do not enjoy cold weather.

Dreher township seems to have been awake on election day, so far as attendance at the polls were concerned.

### Expensive Spraying Can be Avoided.

A Chester Countean, having paid \$115.00 within four years for the spraying of an orchard of two acres, wrote to State Zoologist Surface for assistance in ridding his trees of San Jose scale. He said: "We are so situated that our neighborhood on all sides could learn in regard to spraying by seeing it from the public roads. We desire to get from you full information of what we are to use, and whom we can employ in order to successfully rid our trees of the San Jose scale."

Professor Surface replied as follows: "It does not pay you to expend so much money to have your trees sprayed, when you can buy a good spraying apparatus for one-fourth of what you have already paid out and it will last for ten years or more, and the cost of spraying the trees with it will then be but a few cents per tree. As to the proper spray pump, I think an upright lever pump would give you better results than any other. The next thing is to use the right material, which is the boiled lime-sulphur wash, either

home-boiled or commercial. You can buy it already prepared and ready to be diluted with cold water and applied to the trees, but, in diluting this, generally, you should not add more than eight times its bulk of water. I prefer to make my own lime-sulphur wash, boiling 17 pounds of sulphur and 22 pounds of lime an hour, with enough water to boil it, then straining it and adding enough water to make 50 gallons and spraying it thoroughly over the trees. This is to be done at any time when the trees are dormant. Do a thorough job and give two good coats; one when the wind is from one direction and the other when it is from the opposite direction. If you have much scale, it would pay you to give the double dose twice, viz: in the fall, shortly after the leaves drop, and again in the spring, when the buds are swelling. This will really do the work in a satisfactory manner, and will kill the scale, and you can keep it in control and produce good fruit after that.

"If the trees are badly infested before the leaves fall, it would pay you well to make a very strong soap solution of some kind, or a strong lime-sulphur wash, and paint them now with paint brushes, applying the material on all excepting the parts that grew this year. This will kill the scale on those parts and keep the trees alive until after the leaves drop when you can spray them and do a more thorough and effective job."

### The Real River of Life.

The real river of life is the blood stream—that wondrous fluid that, starting from the left side of the pump-like heart is propelled through the tissues carrying to them the life-giving oxygen and taking up their poisons, then back to the right heart from whence it is sent to the lungs there to deliver up the poisons accumulated in its swift circuit, and to get a fresh supply of oxygen. And the wonder grows when we consider that this fluid, of which there is about two gallons, makes its complete circuit, left heart, tissues, right heart, lungs, left heart and so on three times every minute, traveling at the rate of seven miles an hour, 168 miles a day, 60,000 miles in a year. No man has ever traveled as far as his own blood has.

Verily the "blood is the life." Into the blood enter at once all the various substances taken into the body—food, drink, the oxygen of the air. Out of the blood are elaborated by the various organs all the many fluids required by the body—tears, perspiration, saliva, gastric juice, intestinal fluid and twenty others.

Purity of the blood is the fundamental essential of health. Every disease has its origin in dysentery, or bad blood. Keep the blood clean by free water drinking, pure, simple food in moderate quantity and bodily cleanliness, and you will keep well and live long in the land.

—Haven't gone yet. Never mind about the reports you hear that we have left town. We will give notice of our last week in town. On account of the increasing demand for those 24 for 25 cents we have decided to stay a while longer.

### FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

#### Closing Stock Quotations.

Money on call was 4 per cent; time money, 5 per cent. Paper exchange in rates. Closing prices of stocks were: Amal. Copper... 89 Norf. & West... 124; Atchison... 119 1/2 Northwestern... 124; B. & O... 117 1/2 Penn. R. R... 140 1/2; Brooklyn R. T. Co... 76 1/2 Reading... 122 1/2; Ches. & Ohio... 87 1/2 Hook Island... 27 1/2; C. C. & St. L... 79 1/2 St. Paul... 117 1/2; D. & H... 115 Southern Pac... 129 1/2; Erie... 31 Southern Ry... 30 1/2; Gen. Electric... 153 1/2 South. Ry. pf... 69 1/2; Ill. Central... 143 1/2 Sugar... 133 1/2; Int. Met... 31 Texas Pacific... 31; Louis. & N. O... 123 1/2 Union Pac... 117 1/2; Manhattan... 142 1/2 U. S. Steel... 90 1/2; Missouri Pac... 69 1/2 U. S. Steel pf... 117 1/2; N. Y. Central... 133 1/2 West. Union... 77 1/2

#### Market Reports.

BUTTER—Weaker and unsettled; receipts, 3,548 packages; creamery, specials, 31c; extras, 30c; thirds to firsts, 26a29 1/2c; process, fancy, common to finest, 25a30c; factory, seconds to firsts, 24a25c; imitation creamery, 23a27c.

CHEESE—Firm; receipts, 76 boxes; state, new, full cream, special, 16 1/2a17 1/2c; September, fancy, 16 1/2c; October, best, 15c; common, 14 1/2c; 14 1/2a15 1/2c; skims, full to specials, 6a14 1/2c.

EGGS—Irrregular and unsettled; receipts, 1,471 cases; state, Pennsylvania and nearby, hennery, white, 48a55c; gathered, white, 32a35c; hennery, brown and mixed, 28a32c; gathered, brown, fat to prime, 30a35c; western, extra firsts, 33a35c; firsts, 29a32c; seconds, 25a28c; refrigerator special marks, fancy, 25a28c; firsts, 24a25c; seconds, 22a23c.

POTATOES—Weak; Maine, per sack, \$1.50a1.75; state and western, \$1.50a1.75; Long Island, \$2.25a2.37; sweet, Jersey, No. 1, per basket, 60a75c; per bbl., \$1.25a1.75; southern, 75c a 1.50.

LIVE POULTRY—Prices not settled.

DRESSED POULTRY—Irrregular; broilers, nearby, fancy, squab, per pair, 40a 90c; 3 lbs. to pair, per lb., 20a25c; western, dry picked, milk fed, 21c; corn fed, 17c; scalded, 15a16c; roasting chickens, nearby, fancy, 18a20c; western, milk fed, fancy, 19c; corn fed, fancy, 16c; mixed weight chickens, nearby, fancy, 15a22c; western, milk fed, 16c; dry picked, corn fed, average best, 13a13 1/2c; scalded, average best, 12c; Michigan, scalded, average best, 14c; Ohio, scalded, average best, 13 1/2a14c; poor, 11a12c; fowls, dry packed, boxes, 48 lbs. and over, 16c; 36 to 45 lbs., 15c; 12a15c; feed, dry picked, average best, 14c; scalded, 13 1/2c; old roosters, 11 1/2c; spring ducks, western, 13a 15c; geese, western, 10a12c; squabs, white, per doz., \$2.25a2.50.

HAY AND STRAW—Firm; timothy, per hundred, 85c a 1.10; shipping, 82c a 1.00; clover, mixed, 80a90c; clover, 80a90c; long dry straw, 82a92 1/2c; oat and wheat, 60a 85c; half bales, 25a35c, less.

CALVES—Live veal calves, common to choice, per 100 lbs., \$2.25a2.50; prime to good, \$2.00a2.25; culled, \$1.50a2.00; live calves, buttermilk and grassers, \$3.25a3.50; live veal calves, \$3.50a4.75; country dressed veal calves, prime, per lb., 12 1/2a13c; common to good, 8a12c; buttermilk calves, 6a7c.

## COAL LAND FRAUD

### Ex-Chief Glavis Tells of Alaska Monopoly.

#### ARRAIGNMENT OF BALLINGER.

#### Secretary of the Interior Is Again Accused of Failure to Take Steps to Save Immense Beds of Fuel.

New York, Nov. 9.—In an article prepared for Collier's Weekly of Nov. 13 and copyrighted by that publication L. R. Glavis, removed in September from the office of chief of field division of the general land office, says:

"From 1902 to 1909 I was in the field service of the general land office, for the last two and a half years as chief of field division. In September, 1909, I was summarily removed from my position without a formal hearing by Richard A. Ballinger, secretary of the interior, by authorization of the president of the United States. That removal was accompanied by the publication of a letter of the president to Mr. Ballinger. I believe that my removal was unfair. I believe the president's letter was grievously unfair, because in it the president gives weight to a charge against me which I never had the opportunity to see or answer. The president states in his letter that I withheld from him information favorable to my superiors. I do not know of any such information withheld by me, nor am I conscious of doing my superiors injustice. Nevertheless, I should not now make any public statement of the matter were it not still possible to save for the government many thousands of acres of coal lands which I believe the land office may in the near future grant to fraudulent claimants.

"The coal lands of Alaska owned by the government amount to over 100,000 acres. They are the future coal supply of the nation, of almost inestimable value. Possession of them by private individuals means great wealth. A monopoly of them would be a national menace.

"On Nov. 12, 1906, President Roosevelt withdrew all coal lands in Alaska from public entry, but previous to that time there were about 900 claims filed, covering about 100,000 acres, nearly the whole of the coal fields. The law attempts to prevent monopoly of such claims by limiting the amount of each claim and providing that each claimant must take up the land in his own interest and for his own use. This law has been interpreted by the supreme court of the United States to forbid speculating in coal lands before entry, either by dummy entrymen or by previous agreements to consolidate claims after entry. Of these 900 claims to Alaska coal lands, among them the so-called Cunningham group, the majority are fraudulent. It is asserted that the Guggenheims are seeking a monopoly of the Alaska coal fields.

"As to the action of the land office on these claims, I assert that the land office ordered the Cunningham claims to patent without due investigation when Commissioner Ballinger knew they were under suspicion; that while in office Commissioner Ballinger urged congress to pass a law which would validate fraudulent Alaska claims; that shortly after resigning from office he became attorney for the Cunningham group and other Alaska claims; that soon after he became secretary of the interior his office rendered a decision which would have validated all fraudulent Alaska claims. A reversal of that decision on every point was obtained from Attorney General Wickersham.

"I assert that in the spring of 1909 the land office urged me to an early trial of these cases before the investigation was finished and when Secretary Ballinger, as the president has stated, knew that the Cunningham claims were invalid. When I appealed to Secretary Ballinger for postponement he referred me to his subordinates. The department of agriculture intervened. I was superseded in the charge of the cases, and the man who superseded me endorsed my recommendations, and the postponement was granted. Immediately thereafter I made my report on the Cunningham cases to President Taft and was dismissed from the service for insubordination.

"The president has chosen to treat my report as a charge of criminality. I made no such charge, nor do I make it now. The president's letter is a defense of Mr. Ballinger and Mr. Dennett [commissioner of the general land office] from charges not made in my report to him. I was not investigating either Mr. Ballinger or Mr. Dennett, but the Alaska coal cases."

The forthcoming article in Collier's Weekly is expected to reopen the entire Pinchot-Ballinger dispute over the disposition of public lands. One of the most bitter official controversies ever known in Washington may follow, and the result may be the retirement from office of either Secretary Ballinger or Gifford Pinchot, chief of the forest service.

#### Roosevelt is All Right.

Rome, Nov. 9.—Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt has received a telegram from Nairobi announcing that the former president is quite well.

#### Uncle Sam Leads the World in Battleships.

In the North Dakota, the United States has the fastest battleship afloat, as well as the two most powerful battleships in the world in the North Dakota and her sister ship, the Delaware. The North Dakota screw standardization tests over the Rockland, Maine measured course on Friday last developed a maximum speed of 22.25 knots an hour, and an average of 21.833. Both marks are in excess of the best performance of either the Delaware or the Bellerophon, the leading dreadnought of the British navy. The North Dakota thus takes precedence as a general first class battleship over any other float. Her sister ship, the Delaware, which had her trials over the same course on Oct. 23, was in possession of this honor for a time. There is but one other battleship afloat at the present time whose attainments may exceed those of the North Dakota. This is the Neptune, just launched for the British navy, but she will have to attain to figures much in excess of specifications to accomplish this. The Bellerophon of the British navy has made but 22.1 knots as compared with the North Dakota's performance last Friday of 22.25.

The North Dakota cost \$10,000,000. Her armor belt, of finest steel, is 12 inches thick. There are ten turrets against four on any other ship, which means ten twelve-inch shells every minute in broadside from the decks. Five tons of steel projectiles are fired at every broadside. Dewey's entire fleet at Manila fired only three. There is not in all the world a battleship in commission that could stand five minutes before the North Dakota in action.

#### ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE OF TRAINS

Delaware & Hudson R. R.  
Trains leave at 6:55 a. m., and 12:25 and 4:30 p. m.  
Sundays at 11:05 a. m. and 7:15 p. m.

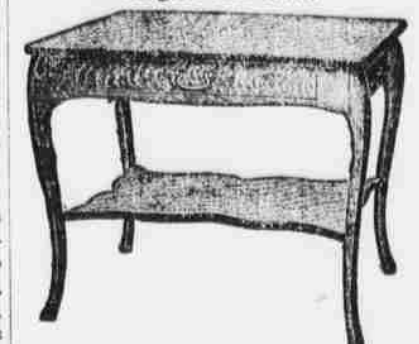
Trains arrive at 9:55 a. m., 3:15 and 7:31 p. m.  
Sundays at 10:15 a. m. and 6:50 p. m.

Erie R. R.  
Trains leave at 8:25 a. m. and 2:48 p. m.

Sundays at 2:48 p. m.  
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#### STEADY ACCUMULATION

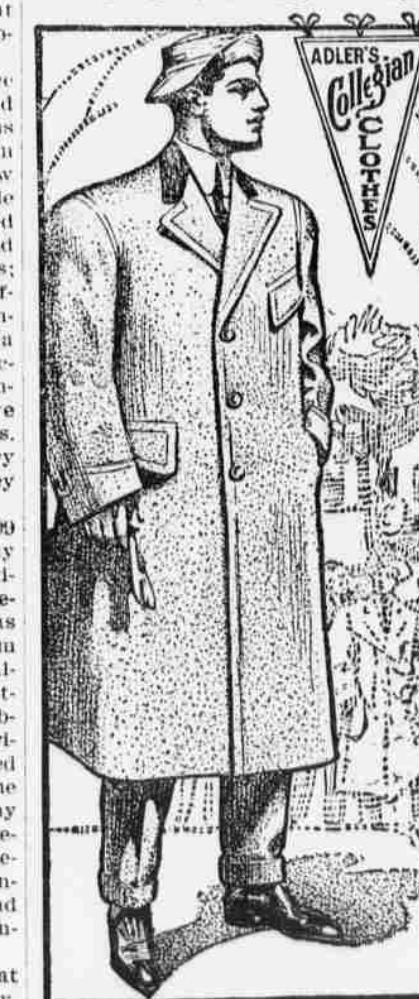
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