

GOSSIP BY OUR CORRESPONDENTS THAT MAY OR MAY NOT INTEREST YOU



STEENE.

(Special to The Citizen.)
Steene, Pa., March 14.
Mrs. J. E. Haley, who has been seriously ill for the past week, is slowly improving.
Merchant Datesman's wife is confined to her home at Prompton with a gathering in her head.
Mrs. Shaffer, who recently moved into the Kagle house, is quite ill.
Mrs. Ray Spangenburg, of Carbondale, is in attendance with her mother, Mrs. Haley, here.
Mrs. Henry Hogenkamp is visiting a few days with friends at Scranton.
Thomas Arthur visited his mother at Carbondale Sunday.
Mr. and Mrs. James Kagle, of Scranton, visited Saturday and Sunday with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Short, here.
Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hambly, of Honesdale, visited the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Haley, over Sunday.
Mr. Horton, of Prompton, has purchased what is known as the old Spencer property and has a gang of carpenters from Waymart tearing down and remodeling the residence and it will be a handsome one when finished.
Stephen Bates is talking of purchasing a small farm. Mr. Bates is an old-time farmer and understands what the soil needs.
The farmers in this section are all busy tapping their sugar bushes, but the weather is unfavorable for the flow of sap so far.
Mr. and Mrs. Wagon, of Dundaff, have been in this neighborhood for the past week looking over properties for sale in view of purchasing a home in this section.

HOLLISTERVILLE.

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Hollisterville, Pa., March 13.
Squire E. B. Hollister and wife are about the same.
The drama, rendered by the Hollisterville Dramatic club on the 2d and 4th of this month, was very largely attended and was pronounced a success in every way.
Rev. Russell of the M. E. church, will preach his last sermon for this conference year next Sunday evening. The different classes have asked for his return for another year.
Quite a few people of this section are out of coal on account of not being able to secure any from the dealers for a few weeks.
Charles Brown is doing some carpenter work at the M. P. parsonage.
Rev. A. R. Reichert will have regular services at the Hollisterville M. P. church next Sunday at 11 a. m. The celebration of the Lord's supper will also take place at the same time.
The farmers are getting things in shape to start boiling maple syrup.
The funeral of Mrs. Andrew Biecker, who died last week took place last Sunday at Madsonville.
Hollisterville is again going to have a base ball team this year. They met for organization purposes last Saturday evening.

WHITES VALLEY.

(Special to The Citizen.)
Whites Valley, March 13.
L. P. Stark and family, of East Honesdale, have moved to the Stark home with his mother, Mrs. Martha Stark.
Dennis Conlogue is spending several weeks with his brother, Peter Conlogue.
Mr. and Mrs. Loring Davis have returned to Dunmore after visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Jennings. Mr. Jennings, who fractured his collar bone, is slowly improving.
All are invited to a splendid supper at William Glover's Friday evening.
Nelson Crossman, of Philadelphia, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Crossman.
George N. Bonham celebrated his eightieth birthday Saturday. Congratulations.

LAKEVILLE.

(Special to The Citizen.)
Lakeville, Pa., March 13.
Mrs. Charles Reuschel returned to her home at Honesdale, after spending a time, accompanied by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Bishop, who will make a week's stay among relatives.
Mrs. Levie Setzer, of Carbondale, passed a short time recently with her father and mother, P. Daniels and wife, here. Mr. Daniels isn't much improved. Dr. Rodman is in attendance.
A. C. James returned to Brooklyn after spending a couple days on his farm at Long Pond.
Mrs. Irvin Daniels and Mr. and Mrs. George Heidebeck, from Wilkesville, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. P. Daniels here.
Mrs. Christian Glessinger, who has been ill for the past week, is much improved.
W. B. Bartleson, Uswick, spent a few days in this place with his niece, Mrs. Orpha James and family and many other friends.
We are glad to know Miss Lulu Cortright is convalescing. We hope she may soon be out of danger.
A very pleasant evening was passed at the dance on Saturday evening in honor of Harlan P. Locklin and his bride, Miss Nina L. Mains, from Arlington, who were united in marriage at Pockville, Pa., March 9. Congratulations extended.
Wm. Everly is attending court at Honesdale this week, having been one of the jurors drawn.
Mrs. M. Welsh and family entertained her daughter, Mrs. George Safford, of Avo, for the past week.

Miss Edna Walker, Hollisterville, recently visited her sister, Mrs. Alfred Locklin, here.
Miss Grace Tutbill passed Sunday with her people at Salem.
Mrs. John Jordan, who has kept to her bed for some time with sickness, is able to resume her household duties.
Miss Laura and Henry Smith passed Sunday with relatives at Ledgedale.
James Rider was a week-end visitor in this vicinity Saturday last.
Mr. and Mrs. S. Miller entertained on March 3 Mr. and Mrs. Hyman R. Miller from Newfoundland, also their children from Hawley.
Conrad Reineke attended Masonic lodge at Hawley on Tuesday evening.

PAUPACK.

(Special to The Citizen.)
Paupack, Pa., March 14.
Miss E. B. Killam spent several days in Scranton last week.
Chas. Ernest Dopel were visitors at this place Monday.
Mrs. F. B. Singer spent Sunday with Miss S. B. Killam.
Isabel Williams spent a few days last week with her sister, Mrs. Gilpin of Hawley.
Mrs. H. F. Fowler is nearly over her recent illness.
Mr. Butler passed through here this week.
One of the men working for Mr. Affarde had the misfortune of cutting his foot quite badly last Friday.
The L. A. S. met with Mrs. Pellet last week.
Wm. Spelser, wife and children moved to Paterson last week.
Arthur Pellet had his foot injured by a falling tree last week. He is still unable to work.
F. Gilpin called at the Williams homestead last week.
While chopping wood last week Jacob McKell, Jr., cut his leg quite badly.
On March 2 Mrs. M. N. B. Killam celebrated her 95th birthday. Mrs. Killam is still in good health and sews and knits every minute. We sincerely hope she reaches the century goal.

GOULDSBORO.

(Special to The Citizen.)
Gouldsboro, Pa., March 14.
Willard Gross was severely cut around the face and head while coasting down the school house hill Monday noon. He slid ran into a tree.
Mike Winter and John Pierce, of Scranton, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. George Schillerle at Grove Hill.
An employe at the St. Charles, an old man known as William, was quite seriously hurt Friday afternoon by falling down the basement stairs. The accident was caused by the dog running between his feet, throwing him headlong.
Mrs. Frank Van Dorn and children left on Monday for Poland. The Van Dorns have been running one of the Gouldsboro ice plants boarding houses. They own considerable property in Poland and unless she can dispose of same she will not return to America. Mr. Van Dorn will remain here for the present.
Mrs. George Schillerle and Fred Dierolf were Newfoundland visitors the last of the week.
While packing away frames at one of the ice plants on Monday afternoon, Francis Hall had the misfortune to have the middle finger of his right hand badly crushed.
John and Gover Daggers left for Hawley Monday where they may spend some time.

ORSON.

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Orson, Pa., March 13.
Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Sanford have recently been called to mourn the death of their infant daughter, Wanieta. She was born February 16, 1912, but only lived two days to gladden the hearts of the parents, having died on the 18th. The funeral was held from the home of the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William Sanford. Interment in Orson cemetery.
Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Hine expect to leave for Scranton on Saturday. Mr. Hine will return home after a few days but Mrs. Hine will remain in Scranton to attend the M. E. conference.
Mr. and Mrs. Jay Walling entertained on Wednesday night last in honor of Miss Pauline Ludwig of Carbondale. Progressive Hearts was the principal entertainment of the evening. First prize was awarded Miss Eva Walling and Booby prize, Mr. Carl Gulley. Ice cream and cake was served and a good time enjoyed by all present.
About twenty-five were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arch Hine on Monday night last. The occasion was the business and social meeting of the Epworth League. Six new members have been added recently.
Mrs. Laura Moules, who has been spending some time at the home of E. W. Hine, returned to her home in Honesdale.
H. B. Hall is at home again and confined to the house with a very bad cold.
Mrs. Warner Sanford is quite ill and under the doctor's care since her return from a visit to friends in Susquehanna and Binghamton.
John Simpson and wife are at the home of Smith Simpson at present.
The stork made a recent visit to the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Mosher and left in their care a dear little girl baby.
Miss Reba Hine, who is a student at East Stroudsburg Normal school, will spend the Easter vacation with relatives here.
Jay Walling expects to remodel his store and dwelling in the spring.
Hert Sanford, Emmet Vincent and Smith Simpson together with several others are preparing to build houses.
Mrs. Howard Palmer and two daughters, of Jermy, spent Saturday and Sunday at the home of H. G. Palmer.
There is only a slight change in the condition of Mrs. E. W. Hine at the present time, who has been confined to her room for so long, that being for the better. Miss Garey, a trained nurse from Wyalusing and Doctor Merriman have her case in charge now.
Mrs. Milton Rhone is ill.
Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Hine will attend the Wyoming conference in Scranton.

BETHANY.

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Bethany, Pa., March 13.
Mrs. J. V. Starnes and sister, Miss Laura Slayton, on Friday returned from Wilkes-Barre and Kingston where they visited their cousin, Mrs. Frank Martin.
Charles Arthur and family will soon remove to their own home at Siko.
Next Sunday Rev. Bierly will preach here in the morning and evening the last Sunday before conference which is held in the Elm Park church, Scranton, beginning on March 20.
William Hauser is spending some time with his son Leroy Hauser, and wife, in Honesdale.
Miss Laura Slayton will leave Tuesday for Portland, Maine.
Rev. John E. Pritchard will preach in the Presbyterian church Sunday evening, March 17.
Donations of furniture, especially dining room table and chairs and any other pieces would be greatly appreciated for furnishing the manse. Send word as soon as convenient to box 24.
Miss Collins and Mr. Hoar spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Fraatz.
Mrs. John Henderson had a rag bee Friday evening for the married people and on Saturday evening for the young folks. All had a most enjoyable time.
Last week Mrs. John Smith had a hen come off with thirteen chickens, the first here.

FREED FROM A CHARGE OF ROBBERY

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P. H. Carney was sworn. He testified to the general reputation of the boys in Hawley. He said he had known them all their lives. He said he lived in Hawley 39 years. He said as far as he knew their reputation for honesty was good.
After going to the jury by Attorney Harnes, McCarty and District Attorney Simons, Judge Searle charged the jury and they went out. After deliberating about an hour they returned a verdict of "Not Guilty."
The case of the Commonwealth vs. Joseph Ackerman et al., charged with assault and battery on David L. Lake on August 2, 1911, was called about 3:45 Tuesday afternoon. District Attorney Simons for the state and Attorney C. P. Searle and Chas. McCarty for the defense. The jurors drawn and who heard this case were Charles Goodman, Texas; C. H. Abbey, Salem; Chas. Burleigh, Scott; A. Lyboll, Damascus; Conrad Hiller, Lebanon; Charles Reising, Cherry Ridge; John Shupper, Honesdale; H. J. Myers, Dyberry; Byron Tresslar, Lake; R. B. Crooke, Lehigh; William Burkett, Honesdale; W. H. Marshall, Berlin.
The prosecution opened the case and David L. Lake was sworn. He said he lived in Mt. Pleasant. He said that he and a party of friends had gone to Rock Lake Aug. 1 to enjoy the peacefulness and quiet of the lake and among other things to fish and go boat-riding. They were there for two weeks' time having secured the rental of a house near the lake and two boats for that length of time. On August 2 the four defendants came to their camp and proceeded to take the boats. He stated that he had rented the boats of Hugh McGranaghan who was the owner. Mr. Lake stated that Mr. Ackerman and another man came up to the house where he was and told him that he (Ackerman) had rented the boats and had come to use them on Mr. McGranaghan's order. Lake declares that he offered Ackerman one of the boats but he refused to take one of them but wanted both. During this time McCann and Burr, two others of Ackerman's party went down to the shore where the boats were tied. Lake went down and told them not to take both boats, but that they could have one. Lake then got in one of the boats and McCann followed him, pushing past him to the rear end where he ordered Lake out, using strong language and he did not heed him doubling up his fist. Lake said whereupon he was shoved out into the water. He got back into the boat that was again thrown out. McCann told him to stay out and in attempting to get back in a third time, Burr who was standing on the bank, grabbed Lake by the shoulders and threw him into some bushes near the bank. They both then got into the boat and began to shove off with the oar. Lake grabbed the boat with his fingers and he declares McCann kicked them until he was obliged to let loose. All this time he declares that McCann was very much excited and angry. He stated that just before this occurrence the party consisting of himself, John Brain, Charles Bonham, Harry Moore and three others were preparing for breakfast and it was between 7 and 8 o'clock in the morning. When Ackerman came to the camp with his friend he looked up at the house and said, "You are not going in that house are you?" "We are going in there." The attorney for defense objected to this and it was overruled. When asked what occurred between him and Ackerman concerning house and boats, Lake replied, "Ackerman said, 'McGranaghan sent me down to get the boats, where are they?' I says, 'They are down in the water.'"

"Did you stand the whole expense?"
"No; we afterwards divided up the expenses."
He stated that he had a warrant sworn out 2 or 3 weeks after the trouble.
Patrick McCann was sworn. He stated that he lived in Carbondale and was a merchant there and was one of a party of four to take a pleasure trip to Rock Lake on Aug. 2. He stated that arrangements for the use of the boats had been made with McGranaghan the day before. While in Pleasant Mount on their way to Rock Lake they met Reilly who stated that the arrangements had been made and everything was alright. On the road they met McGranaghan who told them to go in and use the boats, if they were out on the lake to call them in. They went in and Ackerman went up to David Lake and told him they had come to use the boats. He explained in a courteous and gentlemanly way that he would divide up the boats with David Lake and his party. Lake refused absolutely to let him have either of the boats. Ackerman then called him over to where the boats were and going there he (McCann) got into a boat and was followed by David Lake, who came down to the shore, waving his arms and shouting. He got into the boat and came towards McCann, the latter came towards the center of the boat where they met. McCann testified that he told David Lake to get out and let them have the boat. He refused whereupon McCann said, he walked towards Lake, the latter backing up as he approached and he finally stepped out of the boat in the water. He later testified that he heard Ackerman offer to pay \$100 to David Lake if McGranaghan had not rented the boats to them and offered to take David Lake and his party there to prove his statement. Lake refused to go and said, "Go to h—." He did not contradict his story on cross-examination. He stated that all the rest of Lake's party acted like gentlemen. He said that after Lake stepped out of the boat he told him to stay out if he didn't want to get hurt. He admitted kicking at Lake's fingers on the side of the boat but only as a bluff.

C. E. Burr sworn. Stated he lived in Carbondale and was a member of the party at Rock Lake on Aug. 2. He corroborated most of the testimony of the other members of the party. He substantiated McCann's statement that he (McCann) got in the boat first and sat on rear seat farthest from the shore and that David Lake came running down towards them, yelling and very much excited. He got in the boat and came towards McCann. The latter got up and they met in the center of the boat with a seat between them. They grabbed each other and McCann said, "Davy, I don't want to have any trouble as I can't afford to." McCann was treating the matter as a joke and was laughing all the time he was talking to David Lake. He told Lake to get out and Lake stepped out tearing his shirt in so doing. When Lake attempted to get back in the boat McCann doubled up his fist and ordered Davy to stay out. They shoved off the bank and Davy then went to the other boat and tried to get in. In so doing he stepped on my toes and I shoved him out. David Lake then waived his arms and said, "That's just what I wanted you to do." Burr stated

that he was superintendent of the D. & H. company. He told a straight forward story on cross-examination. Joseph Ackerman was sworn. He corroborated the former testimony for the defense. He was one of the party and went up to D. Lake like a gentleman and told him he had come for the boats. He testified that David Lake got excited and refused to even let them have one of them for the day. His evidence, although lengthy, was taken up with much repetition as questions were asked by attorneys for the Commonwealth and defense. He told the same story of the affair at the boat landing.
A. H. Adamson, a civil engineer from Albany, N. Y., testified to all the foregoing events.
John Reilly was next called. He stated that on Aug. 1 he had telephoned to McGranaghan for the use of the boats and McGranaghan had told him over the phone that he could have them. The defense rested.
Attorneys Charles A. McCarty and C. P. Searle both gave excellent arguments before the jury that the Carbondale parties should be acquitted. Attorney McCarty said that it was one of the least cases that he had ever seen come up in court and should never have been in court. He stated that the law did not recognize trifles and if it did the court of Wayne county would be in session 365 days every year. No crime had been committed, he said, and pleaded with the jury to deal justly with the defense.
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Lackawanna County Beer.
Seven of the eight licensed breweries in Lackawanna county brewed total of 495,219 barrels during the license year just ended. The breweries in Lackawanna county paid \$17,000 for the privilege of manufacturing and selling beer.

To Patrons Along the Scranton Branch of the Erie Railroad.

The afternoon train leaving Scranton as per schedule following, runs daily directly to Honesdale, giving people time to transact their business at the county seat and return home the same evening.
ARRIVE.
LEAVE.
8:20 Scranton 1
8:13 Dunmore 1
8:02 Nay Aug 1
7:54 Elmhurst 1
7:43 Wimmers 2
7:40 Saco 2
7:34 Maplewood 2
7:29 Lake Ariel 2
7:09 Grivity 2
6:59 Clemo 2
6:53 Headleys 2
6:37 West Hawley 3
6:12 White Mills 3
6:03 East Honesdale 3
6:00 Honesdale 3
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Beginning March 1, 1912 we announce a reduction of price in fuel gas to all customers using same through a separate meter as follows:
From 100 cubic feet to 2,000, \$1.50 per one thousand.
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