

## Old Timers are Coming Back in Large Numbers

### ONE COMES FROM DAKOTA

Many Reminiscences of the Pioneer Days of the Town Heard on the Streets When Old Friends Meet.

The great Old Home Week celebration is becoming each day more of the reunion of old time residents it was planned to be. The amusements are excellent and thousands are here for entertainment alone. But there are hundreds more attracted solely by the hope of meeting former friends and as one passes along the streets the grip of friendship is given everywhere. Reminiscences of pioneer days are plentiful and to the boys of today they seem tales of another and strange town. Of the men who were here in business thirty or forty years ago, scarcely one remains. Death has claimed a few, others have removed. The very location of the town is strange to this generation, which knows little of a time when Prescottville and not Reynoldsville was the business center of the region between Brookville and Luthersburg; or if a later time when the region around Burns House was the business center of Reynoldsville and all the primitive churches were located east of what is now Tenth street, and one was partially constructed on Pleasant avenue and the school house was located in Cool Spring Hollow. In those days the familiar names of business men in town were: Davis McCracken, Ed. Clark, the Hoover Brothers, Milton Coleman, Charles H. Gordon, Charles Burns, John S. Smith, Benner McCracken, Jesse L. Test, E. DeHaven and others now gone. Among the pioneer settlers the names of the Reynolds'—five separate families—with the Suttler's and Spragues' are supreme.

And again, the second period of the town's growth, commencing with the building of the Allegheny Valley Railroad in 1872, though comparatively modern, has also its strange names to the present residents. With the opening of the coal veins in the seventies, the town sprung up like magic. Five years transformed it from a wilderness with 200 settlers to a lively town of several thousand. Dozens of business men rushed here, made a comfortable little fortune during the prosperous coal days and then retired or departed. This period, too, has its familiar names, among them, Carlin, publisher of the Eye, an early newspaper, Frank J. Black, also a newspaper man, the Arnolds, Seeleys and Alexanders, merchants and bankers, S. B. Elliott, head of the coal and R. & F. C. Ry. operators under Bell, Lewis and Yates, King and Coleman in the east end, Sykes, Allis and Moorehouse, in the first woolen mill, and dozens of others equally prominent, a few of whom still remain. The third period of the town's growth commenced some ten or twelve years ago, when the falling supply of coal seemed to foreshadow the end of the town. Then commenced a period of co-operation which has resulted in establishing here numerous large industries and making permanent the town's growth. During this Old Home Week the representatives of these three periods are

meeting here on common ground. The residents absent a score of years view with surprise the costly improvements made in the intervening years and note the permanence of the modern business blocks. The future is assured. We call back the past to see and enjoy our prosperity, of which they were the forerunners, and to enlist their support in spreading abroad good report of our prosperity.

### Stars of Long Ago will Play Game of Ball.

Members of the Old Mountain League will Meet Some of Our Home Players and Try to Teach them a few Tricks.

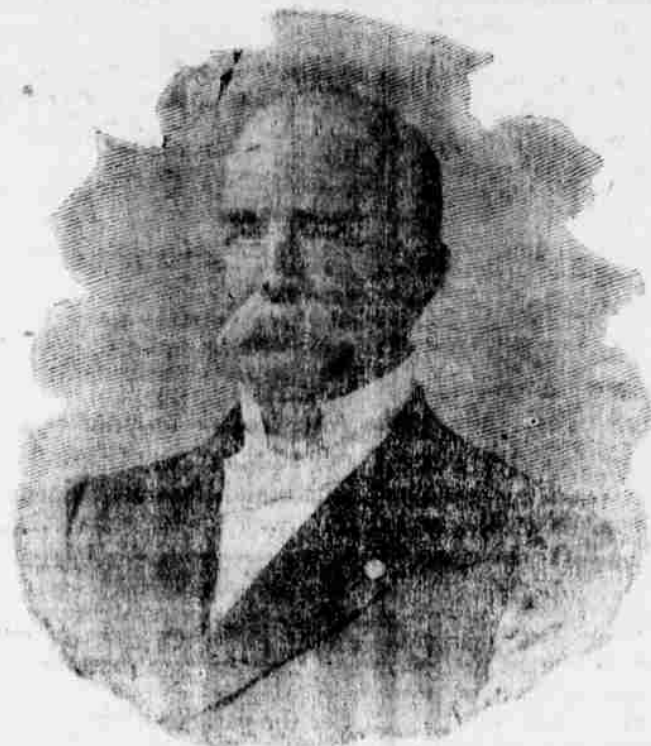
One of the star attractions to-morrow, (Thursday,) will be a game of base ball at 2:30 p. m. between members of the famous old Mountain League, which was in existence twenty-one years ago, and a team of Reynoldsville players. The Mountain League was the first organized circuit in Western Pennsylvania, consisting of DuBois, Brookville, Reynoldsville and Punxsutawney and many of its players developed into stars in after years, to-morrow the following veterans will be on hand to don their uniforms once again and show the modern youngsters how to do the trick: Davy Taylor, and Sam Hunter, of Brookville, Jim Whitehill, Cad Eye and Bruce Ross, of DuBois, Will Bell, Jack Kane, Jim Gillespie and Jim Maloney, of Reynoldsville, and Stackpole, of Ridgway. Kane and Gillespie are slated to be duty on the slab and Maloney will catch. The game will be called at 2:30 p. m.

### SOLDIER AND PARDUS GOT ALL MIXED UP.

By an error, two misstatements appeared in yesterday's issue. The first was in the report of the Pardus-Soldier game of ball, wherein we should have stated that Soldier forfeited the game to Pardus, but in some manner got it transposed. The second error was in regard to the musical aggregation we called the Hickory Creators Sousa bandetta. When these musicians pulled off their costumes, it developed that they were not the Hickory Creators Sousa artists but a similar organization got together by J. W. Emig and J. A. Blaydon from among employees at the American Silk Co's plant. They also appeared in the big industrial parade yesterday and were one of the star attractions. Their costumes and disguises were perfect. As for their music—well, its superb in its way.

### One Hundred Voices.

The public school building will be thrown open to visitors on Thursday from nine until twelve, noon. There will be a chorus of one hundred voices who will sing the old time songs; also marching by the pupils. Some girls will represent the women of the revolution and will perform the minut in costume. Visitors are urged to come. Orchestra will furnish special music.



DR. W. J. MCKNIGHT, OF BROOKVILLE.

Dr. McKnight is best known as the historian of Jefferson county, but his picture is of especial interest to Reynoldsville people from the fact that he was the pioneer physician in Reynoldsville.

## Parade of Lodges Today Was Very Spectacular.

Delegations from Surrounding Towns Helped to Swell the Pageant. The Indians Out in Full Force.

Today is Lodge day on the program and delegations are here from DuBois, Brookville, Punxsutawney, even as far down as Kittanning. Early this morning the street was crowded and when the noon trains brought in their consignment, Main street was filled from the bridge to the Presbyterian church with a moving mass of humanity. At 2:30 the parade, led by Marshals L. J. McEntire and E. C. Burns and the Keystone band formed on the west end of Main street and moved up through the business portion of town in the following order:

John C. Conser Post G. A. R., of Reynoldsville, with visiting veterans, marching; detachment of S. of V., marching; Womens Relief Corps, riding in two tally-hos, all carrying red and white parasols; P. H. C., riding in several carriages, preceded by a tastefully designed emblematic carriage; Indian squaws from Pocahontas degree in full Indian dress; Members Pocahontas degree riding; Improved order Red Men dressed in full warrior uniform, followed by others in regalia; Princess Helena Society; Polish Society of Reynoldsville.

The parade was extremely spectacular and was viewed by thousands who lined the street all along the route.

## Big Run Goes Down in Defeat on Diamond.

Puts up a First Class Game Against Reynoldsville but a Bad First Inning Spoiled all Chance of Victory.

In one of the most interesting games played here this week Reynoldsville nearly put the kalsomine brush on the biglers from Big Run. Big Run was first to the bat. Only four men faced the pitcher; one grounded out to third base and the other two made some awful dents in the atmosphere. Reynoldsville first inning was their only run-getter. Best made first on an error, stole second. Weingit struck out. Snyder hit the ball for a nice safe hit over first. Best scored, Snyder stole second and third. McEntire landed safe on first sack, due to an error, Snyder getting home while Big Run was tying a bell to the ball. McEntire stole second, advanced to third on an error and stole home, making Reynoldsville's last run. Axelsson was put out at second after getting to first on a wild throw. Barkley followed and made first on a booted ball. Facemyre, next man up, struck out, retiring the side. Big Run drew a blank in the second. Reynoldsville duplicating the feat in their half. In the third, Grinnan, pitcher for Big Run, made a hit, followed by safe hits by Smuse and Stumpt, which scored Grinnan. From that on they drew a blank until the finish of the game, as did Reynoldsville. It was a fast game each side having a number of errors,

but not costly on Reynoldsville's side.

Summary:  
R. H. E.  
Big Run 001000000—1 4 4  
Reynoldsville  
300000000—3 4 6  
Umpire, Fair. Time, 1 hour and 15 minutes.

### CITY DAILIES GIVING US MUCH SPACE.

Whatever else may result from this great Old Home Week celebration, it is certain that it has sent the name and fame of Reynoldsville to practically every corner of the eastern and central part of the United States. The city dailies have been giving the Old Home Week celebration extended notice. The Pittsburg Gazette Times made the celebration the leading article on first page Tuesday, devoting over two columns of space to it and having a magnificent report. The Pittsburg Dispatch also devoted a full column to the first day's celebration and presented the matter in a way which will attract attention far and near. Both the above papers have special representatives here, George E. McLinn for the Gazette Times, and Wm. M. Long, for the Dispatch. The Philadelphia North American and Pittsburg Post each devoted nearly a column to the reunion and there are a host of papers of less renown over the state which have been equally generous. The dailies of DuBois and Punxsutawney have aided all in their power to make our great week a success. Needless to say, Reynoldsville people appreciate these evidences of good will.

J. M. Evans, one of the most prominent officials in the Protected Home Circle, will deliver an address on "Fraternalism" in front of the Elks building to-night. He is said to be a very fluent speaker.

## Great Crowd Sees the Autoist Leap Chasm.

### WAS THROWN IN THE AFTERNOON

After Two Mishaps Breton Succeeds in Making his Jump.

Breton, the king of flying autoists, made his first successful leap in mid-air last night since his arrival. Wrecking his machine at the first attempt, he worked all day at Cumis's shop on Fifth street repairing the ruined wheels and promptly at 4:30 appeared at the incline ready for his feat—and he never made a more dangerous descent in his life. His machine is well constructed, costing him over a thousand dollars and is perfectly accurate in its poise and balance. With his repaired wheels, many fully expected to see the daring autoist killed in making the leap. Breton himself, plucky as ever, had no fear and had the machine hauled up.

He mounted, the rope was cut and auto and rider shot down the precipitous incline like a bullet. At the rise at the base, the machine bounded into the air, cleared the landing platform, struck the pavement on the two right side wheels alone, wavered a second and turned over, partially pinning Breton beneath. Though loose in the machine the rider clung to it, looking death in the face, until he righted the machine and saw that no one had been injured.

After the unlucky leap, Breton returned to the big incline and with a level vent over the whole structure. Apparently it is perfectly built. Everything seems true and Breton was at a loss to account for his continued hard luck.

At the evening performance, for the first time in his life, Breton strapped himself in the auto, determined to make a successful leap or die in the attempt. Fully fifteen thousand people were massed around the structure. The reports of his continued misfortunes had spread far and wide and hundreds from DuBois, Punxsutawney and other surrounding towns were present to witness the great feat.

As Breton followed the machine to the top and slowly bound himself to it, a hush fell over the crowd. The Keystone band, under instructions from Breton, started to play. He cut loose and like a flash of lightning flew down between the long string of electric lights. Clinging to his machine with a death-like grip, he cleared the danger point at the base, made his flight through the air and descended forty feet away square and true. A great shout went up from the multitude and it was delightful to the ears of Breton, who had conquered his refractory auto.

To-day Breton will be on deck for his scheduled performances and he is confident that his reign of hard luck is over. He believes that the structure is true, that his machine is accurate, and that it is simply a question of being able to keep his seat in the auto. He is an old trick bicycle rider and while in his seat has absolute control of the steering apparatus.

### THE PROGRAM.

Wednesday P. M.

- 4:30 p. m. Flying automobile.
- 5:00 p. m. Sack race, for lodge members only—Main street, National hotel to Fifth street., cash prize \$3.
- 5:30 p. m. 100 yard dash—Main street, cash prize \$3.00.
- 7:00 p. m. Music by the bands.
- 7:30 p. m. Freddie Cunningham on the high wire.
- 9:00 p. m. Flying automobile.
- 9:30 p. m. Grand ball and lodge receptions, Reynolds park.

Thursday, August 22.

- 9:00 a. m. Grand Band Concert by home and visiting bands.
- 10:00 a. m. Baseball game, Falls Creek vs. Reynoldsville.
- 1:30 p. m. Band concert—Main street.
- 2:00 p. m. Freddie Cunningham on the high wire.
- 2:30 p. m. Baseball by the surviving members of the old Mountain league, the first regular baseball organization in Western Pennsylvania.
- 3:30 p. m. Three legged race—Main street, cash prize \$3.
- 3:45 p. m. Climbing greased pole, Main street, cash prize on the top of the pole.
- 4:00 p. m. Barrel race—Main street, cash prize \$3.
- 4:30 p. m. Flying automobile.
- 7:00 p. m. Band music.
- 7:30 p. m. High wire walking by Eddie Cunningham.
- 9:00 p. m. Flying automobile.
- 9:30 p. m. Grand display of fireworks, foot of 5th street.

### Cunningham has a Double.

Freddie Cunningham, the tight rope walker, has a striking double in the person of John Lord, son of T. N. Lord, who is visiting in town during Old Home Week. The resemblance is so strong that the other day Cunningham's own father got mixed up for a moment.

Cunningham is carrying out his part of the program regularly and is gaining in popular favor each day. Great crowds congregate beneath his ropes and watch with bated breath while he performs feats that amaze by their reckless daring. Nothing bothers him while performing. Street cars may pass and the people surge beneath, but he proceeds with perfect calmness.

George M. Gayley, of Howe, is among the visitors in town to-day. Mr. Gayley will be a candidate for the Republican nomination for county treasurer next spring. He says he will be in until the finish this time.



REYNOLDSVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL BUILDING.

Thursday this magnificent building will be thrown open for the inspection of visitors from 9 to 12 a. m. A free program will be given by school pupils.



THE MILLIREN BUILDING IN REYNOLDSVILLE.

Dr. J. M. Evans will deliver an address before this building to-night on "Fraternalism." Mr. Evans is an orator of renown and one of the most noted men in the P. H. C.