

## GRIER O. SWEITZER CALLED BY DEATH

His Passing Away Was Sudden and Altogether Unexpected by Friends.

### INTERMENT MADE IN CLARION COUNTY

Few instances of death have caused more profound surprise and sorrow in Reynoldsville than did the death of Grier O. Sweitzer at the Imperial Hotel Friday morning. He was known to practically every man in Reynoldsville and it is doubtful if among all he had one real enemy. The evening before his sudden death was sent in a social way with a few friends in the Elk rooms and when he parted with them at the door of the hotel, it was with the assurance that he was feeling better than for many weeks.

That was the last seen of him until Friday morning, when he was called at five o'clock. No answer was received and when the room was entered, they found Mr. Sweitzer cold in death. It is supposed from the position in which his body was found that he had been attacked by asthma about three o'clock in the morning, that he attempted to rise and call for aid, but fell prostrate on knees and face before he could take a step. He had suffered severely from asthma for several months.

The body was taken to the undertaking rooms of Henry Priestner, where it was prepared for burial, and on Saturday was taken to the home of Wilbur O. Sweitzer, of Reidsburg, Clarion county, and funeral services were held Sunday morning. The casket left the home at 9.30 and was taken to a Baptist church in Greenville, where a sermon was preached. Burial was made there beside the father, two brothers and a sister of the deceased.

Grier Orr Sweitzer was born in Limestone township, Clarion county, near Greenville, and was in his 42nd year at time of death. He had lived in Reynoldsville twenty-two years, coming here at first simply as a chore boy at the Ross House. From there he went to Hotel McConnell and finally became clerk when it was owned by Frank J. Black. From there he went to the Imperial Hotel and became a part owner with Will W. Wiley. The partnership lasted about three years and was very successful. Since the firm disposed of its interests to the original builders of the hotel, Green & Conser, Grier had acted as clerk at various places in Western Pennsylvania, and was known widely in consequence. He was also heavily interested in many mining companies. But wherever he went for a time, Reynoldsville remained his home and it was here he had his closest friends. At one time was in the shoe business in Reynoldsville in partnership with Jas. Hughes.

His mother, Mrs. Matilda J. Sweitzer, still lives, but his father died thirteen years ago. Two brothers, G. O. Sweitzer, of Reidsburg, Clarion Co., E. E. Sweitzer, of Oakville, Washington, also survive. It just chanced that the latter, who had not seen Grier for many years, came east to visit a few weeks ago and Grier had been at Greenville to see him but a few days before his death. Together the brothers visited the cemetery where so many members of the family now lie and talked over the old days and of the ones who were buried, and as they left the little churchyard they paused at the gate and one musingly wondered when they would visit it together again. They came back again all too soon.

Grier O. Sweitzer was a member of Reynoldsville Lodge No. 519, to attend the funeral of their brother. Their floral tribute was beautiful. Flowers were also sent to the home at Reidsburg by the Men's Bible Class of the M. E. Sunday school, by the bartenders of Reynoldsville and by the girls employed at the Imperial Hotel.

### HOON'S GROCERY MOVED THIS WEEK

Thomas D. Hoon, who has been doing a grocery business in the Centennial hall for some time, has leased the vacant room in the Henry building, formerly occupied by Stephen C. Henry's grocery, and the stock of goods was transferred Monday morning. In the new location Mr. Hoon proposes to greatly enlarge his line of goods and will be enabled to give better service to the public. A cordial invitation is extended to the public to visit the new quarters.

## INSPECTION OF THE SILK MILL WAS SATISFACTORY

Nothing Definite will be Known Until Negotiations Are Farther Advanced.

The visit of two prominent silk manufacturers of New York City to Reynoldsville last week to inspect the local silk mill caused considerable interest in town and the Association officials have been besieged since with inquiries as to the probability of the mill operating. All that can be said at the present time is that as far as the mill and Reynoldsville is concerned, conditions seemed eminently satisfactory. The visit however was simply preliminary to entering into real negotiations to secure the mill and whether the firm will lease the mill depends mainly on the terms quoted them by the officials of the American Silk Company.

If secured at all, it will be under a long term lease. Some time ago the Association officials attempted to secure a purchaser for this mill in the same manner in which the steel plant deal was swung, and succeeded in interesting a very large New York concern. But when the concern investigated the title to the mill they reported that owing to the financial entanglements of the two companies owning it, to mortgages affecting it and other property, to notes and various other liens, it would be hardly possible to secure a clear title until after the American Silk Company had passed through bankruptcy (which at that time seemed imminent.) The Association then dropped all efforts to secure an outright purchase and has since been in correspondence with several companies trying to interest them in a leasing proposition.

## DOUBLE MURDER AT TYLER FOLLOWS A CARD GAME

Two Italians, Giuseppe and Giovanni Lorelli, were shot and instantly killed at Tyler Saturday afternoon by a countryman named Pasquale Caruso. The shooting followed a card game during which Caruso had lost nearly all his earnings. It is said that the two men whom he shot had been taunting him with his poor luck and even offered him personal abuse until he attempted to run away and leave them. They followed and suddenly Caruso infuriated, turned and fired at them with a revolver. The first Italian fell to the ground so severely that he died within an hour, and the second, who beat a hasty retreat when the firing commenced, was hit by a bullet which caused his death Sunday afternoon. Caruso, the murderer, then fled and no trace has been found of him.

## LUTHERAN CONGREGATION ELECTED A NEW PASTOR

Rev. J. Bord, of McClellandtown, Virginia, who preached in the Lutheran church at Reynoldsville recently, has been given a call to become pastor of the Reynoldsville, Chestnut Grove and Emerickville Lutheran churches and it is understood that he will accept and come to Reynoldsville to take up the work in a short time. Rev. Bord is a man of about fifty years old, with long experience in the ministerial field. He made a very good impression during his brief stay in Reynoldsville and the members believe they have found a worthy successor to Rev. Charles E. Rudy.

## INSTRUCTOR AT GALETON INSTITUTE.

L. Mayne Jones, superintendent of Jefferson County schools, is in Galeton, Pa., this week acting as an instructor in the Potter county teachers' institute and directors' convention. Prof. Jones has lectured at a number of institutes in Ohio and West Virginia during the last few months and has received many highly complimentary newspaper testimonials to his ability as an instructor.

## MASONIC BANQUET THURSDAY NIGHT

The Masonic Fraternity of Reynoldsville will hold a banquet in the festal hall of the I. O. O. F. hall to-morrow, Thursday, evening. A special program has been arranged to follow the "eat" and there will be a number of musical selections.

## THE WEDDING BELLS RING MERRILY ON GRANT STREET

Miss Alice Mitchell Becomes the Bride of J. Edgar Shields, Of This Place.

A very pretty home wedding took place at the residence of Mrs. Cora Mitchell on Grant street at 10.30 o'clock Tuesday morning, October 18th, when her daughter, Miss Ethelyn Alice, became the bride of J. Edgar Shields, of Reynoldsville.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Dr. A. J. Meek, pastor of the First Baptist church of Reynoldsville, who was assisted by the Rev. Wallace Mitchell, a brother of the bride. It was the beautiful ring ceremony and took place in the parlor of the home, which had been tastefully decorated with ground pine and fern for the occasion, while the prevailing colors of the rooms were pink and white. The wedding march was played by Miss Fannie Alexander. The bride was given away by her brother, Joseph B. Mitchell, and the bridesmaid was Miss Mitchell's closest personal friend in school days, Miss Marie Altman. The groomsmen were Eugene Murray. Only the immediate relatives of the contracting parties and a few chosen friends, witnessed the union.

The dress of the bride was an embroidered net and she carried a bouquet of white caryanthemums. The bridesmaid was dressed in pink crepe de chene, and carried a large bouquet of pink carnations. After the round of congratulations, the bridal party and guests repaired to the large dining room, where two tables were waiting, richly laden with delicacies, and decorated with ground pine and wax fall leaves, with centerpieces of cut flowers. The place cards were unique little slippers.

At 1.20 the bride and groom left on the Pennsylvania passenger train west for Cleveland, where they will make their future home. Mr. Shields holds a lucrative position in that city as chemist for a large tanning corporation, and the couple will live in Lakewood, a suburb of Cleveland.

The bride received many beautiful and costly presents from friends yesterday, consisting of silver, cut glass, and numerous minor articles. Both bride and groom come from well known and highly esteemed families of Reynoldsville. Few couples have had a larger circle of friends to extend congratulations, for both have lived all their lives in Reynoldsville and are known to hundreds of our local people. They were members of the same classes at school and graduated together in the class of 1908. They have the best wishes of all for a happy married life and a successful career in their new home.

## GUBERNATORIAL CANDIDATES COMING TO REYNOLDSVILLE

Berry and Larkin, Keystone and Prohibition Nominees, Will Visit the Town.

There will be a public meeting of the citizens of Reynoldsville and vicinity in Centennial hall Thursday, October 20th, at 8 o'clock p. m. The chairman of the meeting will be Dr. J. W. Foust and it will be addressed by Hon. W. H. Berry, candidate for governor on the Keystone ticket. Other speakers will take part including James Campbell, of Reynoldsville, the deputy state factory inspector. All voters interested in honest state government are invited to attend this meeting and hear the issues of the day discussed. Trolley cars leave for Wishaw and Sykesville after the meeting.

By Order of the Committee of Arrangements.

Madison F. Larkin, Prohibition candidate for governor of Pennsylvania, and Aaron S. Watkins, candidate for vice-president of the United States in 1908 on the same ticket, will speak in Centennial hall, Reynoldsville Friday, October 28th, at 8.00 p. m. Mr. Larkin is Controller of the International Correspondence Schools of Scranton and a man who stands high in business circles. Mr. Watkins is a lecturer of national reputation whose home town is Ada, Ohio. He has lectured on Chautauqua platforms in all parts of the United States and his talk is both to the point and witty.

A high top tan shoe for little gents, extra value for \$1.75. Adam's Boot shop.

# Mail Order Houses After Local Trade

Trying to Reach Reynoldsville People Through Advertising Columns of The Star and Other Reputable Newspapers In this Part of the State.

## GAS AND OIL RIGHTS ARE BEING LEASED WEST OF THE TOWN

Secrecy Surrounds the Operations but Indications Point to Early Development.

It is probable that another test for gas will be made in the region west of Reynoldsville in the near future. It is understood that certain large interests are leasing up gas and oil rights in the Sandy Lick Valley all the way from Fuller to the old Salt Works gas well and that the leases are worded in a manner which indicates early development.

It has been the belief of experienced gas and oil men for years that the region west of town is underlaid with gas in paying quantities, and that it is only a matter of time and experimenting until some fortunate driller will reap a fortune by striking the lucky spot. The Deemer well at Iowa Mills continues to flow with as strong pressure as ever and it is hardly possible that the territory which furnished several 4,000 000 feet a day wells ends suddenly at that point.

The Deemer well was purchased by a Kane corporation and a pipe line is being laid from Kane to Iowa Mills to carry the gas to Kane, where the home supply is falling. The town of Kane is doomed according to men who have visited it recently unless it can secure gas for its great glass plants, and the money to pipe the Iowa gas there was subscribed by the Kane merchants as a means of saving the town from the loss of its main industries.

## STUBBORN BLAZE IN W. U. ELLENBERGER'S HOME

The fire company was called out last Thursday morning to fight flames which originated on the second floor of the home of Wilmer U. Ellenberger, on Grant street. The fire had a good start before it was discovered and no one knows how it originated. A little child of Mr. Ellenberger's came toddling down stairs about nine o'clock and ran to its mother in terror, crying that the upstairs was full of smoke. Mrs. Ellenberger investigated and found the fire raging in one of the rooms. The alarm brought the fire company quickly and they succeeded in getting the fire out, but the upper rooms were thoroughly gutted and the water caused about as much damage in other parts of the house as the fire above. The house was partially insured.

## HARDWARE MERCHANTS WILL ORGANIZE COMBINE

A meeting of the hardware merchants of Jefferson and Clearfield counties was held at DuBois Wednesday afternoon for the purpose of forming an organization to protect their mutual interests and to make some arrangements for eliminating the middlemen in the business and thus enable the local merchants to both buy and sell lower than is now possible. No Reynoldsville hardware dealers were present at the meeting but it is probable that they will be represented in the organization when plans are fully matured.

## WILL ORGANIZE LOCAL ITALIAN BAND

Some time during November it is proposed to organize a band among the Italian residents of Reynoldsville. A musical director has been engaged in the person of Prof. Nicholas Spino, who is now located at Kane, and it is thought that at least thirty persons will become members of the organization. The appearance of the two Italian bands in Reynoldsville on Columbus Day has added enthusiasm to the local movers of the project.

A Walk-Over Shoe for dress, a Men's Ease for work. The greatest combination in shoes. Adam's boot shop.

## LOCAL MERCHANTS SHOULD AWAKEN TO THEIR PERIL AND FIGHT

REYNOLDSVILLE retail business men should awaken to the gigantic efforts that the Mail Order Houses are putting forth to rob them of their business and overshadow them in every way. Recently THE STAR, in common with many other Pennsylvania local papers, received from one of the most prominent Chicago Mail Order Houses a request for advertising space at practically any price we chose to name, and desired an amount of space which in the course of a year would have amounted to probably a hundred dollars to us. Believing that the Mail Order system is the worst foe the small town has, and that this advertising was a nefarious attempt to suck the life blood of local trade by gaining entrance to every Reynoldsville home through the medium of a paper that the people know and trust, and that every advertisement which appeared would be a blow at the home merchant, we deliberately turned down the offer and sacrificed what financial gain there would have been in it. Since then we have noticed the same series of advertisements appearing in papers published near Reynoldsville. THE STAR, while under its present management, will never willingly permit in its columns matter injurious to the true interests of Reynoldsville. We believe the local business men will appreciate the sacrifice made to protect them. THE STAR stands for a bigger, brighter, better Reynoldsville and believes that one of the best ways to attain it is to protect and encourage home industry and home business enterprise.

## HOME WEDDING ON EAST MAIN STREET YESTERDAY

Harvey H. Moyer and Miss Besse Baum Join Heart and Hand For Life.

At 11.00 a. m. yesterday, October 18th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Baum, their daughter, Miss Besse Madalyn Baum, became the bride of Harvey Harrison Moyer, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Moyer, of West Reynoldsville. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. John F. Black, pastor of the Reynoldsville Methodist Episcopal church, in the presence of the immediate relatives of the contracting parties and of one close personal friend of the groom, Miss Leone Baum, sister of the bride, acted as bridesmaid, and Leon Westcott was groomsmen.

At the close of the ceremony a wedding dinner was served to those present, after which the bridal pair departed on the 12.52 Pennsylvania passenger train for Harrisburg, Philadelphia, New York City and other points in the east, and on their way back will also spend a few days at Williamsport. Friday of next week they will return to Reynoldsville and will go to house-keeping at once in West Reynoldsville, occupying the house adjoining the residence of Charles A. Herpel.

Mr. Moyer is bookkeeper and assistant general manager in the office of the Panther Run Coal Company at Pardus and the bride clerked in various stores in Reynoldsville, thereby gaining acquaintance with a very large number of people. They both have hosts of personal friends who will join in the general chorus of congratulations.

## A BULLETIN OF INFORMATION

At the last meeting of the Business Men's Association a committee was appointed to compile a bulletin of information which will be sent to all teachers and directors of Jefferson county. The bulletin will contain a list of all homes in Reynoldsville which will be open to receive either boarders or roomers, time tables, lodge meetings and location of rooms, amusement resorts, and everything else which can in any way add to the convenience of the teachers during that week.

## FALES AND FETTER DISSOLVE

By mutual agreement last week, the firm of Fales & Fetter, who embarked together in the grocery business a few months ago in the Smith & McClure building, was dissolved, Mr. Fetter retiring from the firm. W. W. Fales will continue at the old stand and will maintain the standard set, by the firm at the commencement of its business.

## GOSPEL OF SOCIALISM PREACHED LAST WEEK

John W. Slayton Addressed a Fair Sized Audience in the Centennial Hall.

John W. Slayton, Socialist candidate for governor of Pennsylvania, spoke in the Centennial hall in Reynoldsville Friday evening. There was a very fair audience present and listened respectfully to all that the Socialist candidate had to say regarding present conditions. He is a very plain and forcible speaker and a pleasant man personally. He is a self-made man in every sense, having risen from poverty and illiteracy in boyhood to his present commanding position in state politics, and while unable to read at thirteen years of age, is now one of the best versed men in general history and the theory of government in the Socialist party.

## FAMILY MOVED TO NORTH DAKOTA.

Saturday afternoon Mrs. William Gibson, of Mabel street, her father, John Goodwill, and granddaughter, Miss Lenora Gibson, left Reynoldsville for Wilton, North Dakota, where they will make their future home. Mrs. Gibson's husband, William Gibson, has been in the middle west for a year, and finding conditions satisfactory decided to make it his permanent home. The household goods were shipped to Wilton last week. In connection with the departure of John Goodwill, we call attention to an interesting reminiscence of his early life which is given in ballad form on the editorial page of The Star this week.

## MERCHANTS TO VISIT TOWN

Cleveland wholesale merchants are planning a trip through Western Pennsylvania similar to that of the Pittsburgh wholesale merchants last year. They will visit Reynoldsville sometime during the last week of October, the exact dates of the itinerary not yet being announced. Parties interested in the trip have made requests for information from local business men and have been supplied. When they visit the town the Business Men's Association will see that they get a suitable reception.

Stop stomach distress and stomach disturbance in five minutes, by taking Mi-o-na tablets. Only 50 cents a large box, guaranteed by Stokes & Feicht Drug Co. to cure indigestion, or money back.

Women's cloth top shoes, Gun Metal and Patent. Price \$2.50. Adam's.