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Neighborhood Notes And News Of Local Church Doings

Purely Personal

Pvt. Bruce Atkinson spent July . in Augusta, Georgia. Donald Atkinson visited the 700-year-old Buddha in the City of Kamakura recently. He was greatly impressed with the tremendous size of the statue, it being ninety-seven feet in circumference.

Miss Mildred Major has been ill at her home at Huntsville for the past two weeks.

Mary Ellen Clark of Overbrook avenue is spending the summer at Estes Park, Colorado.

Miss Elma Major of Huntsville is attending summer school at University of Michigan. Miss Major is a teacher at Bloomsburg State Teachers' College. Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Hilbert of

Ide of Huntsville.

They attended the Horse Show on

July 4th. Mr .and Mrs. Alfred Lamoreaux

their home in Denver, Colo.

with the Hustons.

of Lehman left this week to make

Karen Harvey, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Harvey of

Cemetery Street has whooping cough

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Harvey, Nor

man Stair, Clara Grose and Harry

Grose, spent the Fourth on North

Idetown entertained over the holiday weekend Mr. and Mrs. Robert Camp-Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Finkenbinder and Cynthia, of Shippensburg, spent the holiday and weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Whitesell and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ellsworth of Lehman. bell and daughters, Betty Marion and Bobby Lou, of New York; Mrs. Gordon Matthews and sons, Bobby and Sammy of Chenango Bridge, N.Y.; Mrs. Lila Felt and Miss Mildred Pol-lock of Washington, D.C.; Donald and Carl Roberts of Trucksville.

Mrs. Gerald Dettmore will entertain at a benefit tea at her home on Lehman avenue, Wednesday, July 16. Mrs. Frances Sutliff of Wilkes-Barre spent the holiday weekend as guest of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lee Smith, of Mill street. Mrs. Sutliff and Mrs. Smith spent July 4th at Harvey's Lake. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hauck and daughter, Kitty, and Mrs. Hauck's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schultz and Dickie of Reading, spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs.

Clyde Losey at Kingsley, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Henry T. Schulz who have been spending the winter at Miami Beach returned to their summer home on Terrace street yesterday. Mrs. Lloyd Richards and daughter, Susanne, of Elizabeth, N.J., are spending the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Addison Woolbert Sr., of Goss Manor, Mr. Richards spent the weekend here.

Floyd Chamberlain of Goss Manor is a patient at Nesbitt Hospital.

Mrs. T. M. B. Hicks, Jr. returned to her home on Demunds road after spending two weeks with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Martt Harding and family at Raleigh, N.C. Attorney and Mrs. William Car-

mody of Dallas entertained at dinner recently honoring Mrs. Alva Eggleston of Vernon who was spending a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Himmler of Lake street.

Miss Dorothy Culp who is employed in Harrisburg spent the holiday week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Culp of Huntsville.

Mr. and Mrs. Niles White of Baldwin street have as guest for two weeks the latter's aunt, Mrs. Anna Beers of New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. John Roberts of street had as weekend quests

Mrs. Thomas Bottoms of Dallas, and Russell DeRemer of Trucksville. Miss Mary Louise Jones Mrs. H. S. Keller has returned to Is Hospital Graduate her home after being a patient at Miss Mary Louise Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Jones of General Hospital for some time.

Jack Bynan has returned home after Fernbrook, completed a post-graduate pending a few weeks in Philadelphia. ourse in dietetics at the Johns Hop-Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Atkinson of cins Hospital, Baltimore, on Sunday, Trucksville and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cooke and family of Chester visited June 29

Miss Jones is a graduate of College Loren Berlew at Sterling Farms, July Misericordia, class of 1946. She has accepted a position as thera-

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Rinehimer peutic dietition at the Massachusetts of Lehman avenue had as weekend guest, their grandson, Bobby Rine General Hospital in Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Edwards of Have Baby Girl

Orchard street, Trucksville, spent the Mr. and Mrs. George Shaver Jr noliday weekend in Williamsport as guests of Mr. Edwards parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Edwards. Faith Elaine Edwards is attending Y.W.C.A. Camp at Harvey's Lake, and Barry Main road, Trucksville, announce the birth of a son, George Charles, Saturday, June 28, in Nesbitt Hospital. Mrs. Shaver is the former Mary E. is at St. Stephens Camp. Dick Ide, who is attending St. Stephens' Camp, spent the holiday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Snyder, daughter of Mr. and Mrs Charles Snyder of Lehman.

Mr. and Mrs. Templin And Family Hold Picnic

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. W. Templir entertained members of their family

and a few friends at a picnic at their home on Cemetery street, July 4. Pres-ent were: Mr. and Mrs. Richard Templin and children, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Templin of Girard, Ohio; Bill Templin of Hayti, S. Dakota; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Maxwell of Kingston; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Eck and Jack. Marilyn, Dorothy and Beverly of Shavertown; Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Kohnke of Springville; Mr. and Mrs. Schroder. Miss Ruth Schroder and Miss Ethel Burrows of West Pittston.

Mountain picnicking. Russell Johnson, of Jackson, is a patient at General Hospital. Mrs. James Huston of Harvey's Have Baby Daughter

Lake had as weekend visitors her brother and sister in law, Mr. and Mrs. John M. Kelley and children Judy Ann and Jay, of Haddonfield, N.J. Mr. and Mrs. Royal Lyne, Jr., of East Hartford, Conn., announce the birth of a daughter, Monday, June 21. Mrs. Lyne is the former Grace Mahler Young Jay is spending some time of Fernbrook.

Miss Ruth Elston of Machell avenue and Miss June Eckmeder of King-**Kenneth Rices Are** ston, both student nurses at Nesbitt Hospital, are spending several days Hosts at Picnic Supper

in New York City. Miss Dorothy Weaver has returned to her home in Kunkle after spending Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Rice of Orchard Farm, Dallas, entertained a several days at Wildwood, N.J. Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Johnson of Shavertown spent July 4th at Shawneenumber of friends and relatives at

picnic supper, July 4, honoring their daughter, Linda Louise, who celebrated on-the-Delaware as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Omar Michaels. her birthday anniversary. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Ephraim Roberts, Mrs. Alan Kistler of Harvey's Lake Mr. and Mrs. George Rice, Mr. and is spending some time with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs.

Mrs. Paul Walters and Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Alva Eggleston and children, James Kistler of New York City. Mr. and Mrs. William Riddell of Allan Roberts, Bobby Dick Rice, Charles Mekeel, and Mrs. Catherine Rice avenue, Trucksville, entertained over the Fourth of July Mr. and Mrs. Gregory

Douglas Riddell and son, Douglas, and **Give Birthday Picnic** Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Puterbaugh of Norwalk, Conn., and Mr. and Mrs. Glen Case and Bonnie Jean of Trucks-The picnic given last Friday by

Ar. and Mrs. Harry Ohlman, Machell Mrs. Clara Grose of Main street had Avenue, Dallas, was a double celebraas guests last week her two daughters, tion, for the 4th of July, and also Mrs. Daisy Rife and Mrs. Dorothy Cronk of Jamestown, N. Y. While for Mr. Ohlman's birthday, which falls on the same day. At the party, here, they all drove to Harrisburg to held in the Ohlman garden, were the see Mrs. Grose's first great-grandchild, vng: Mr. and Mrs. Digby Baltzel

Miss Dorla Jean Nicely Becomes Bride of Paul Evans

Miss Dorla Jean Nicely, daughter white of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Nicely of Main Mrs. accessories and pink carnation of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Nicely of Main street, Shavertown, became the bride of Paul Evans, son of Mr. and Mrs. and Mrs. Bvans, blue and white print Matthew Evans of Hillcrest avenue, with blue feather hat and pink rose Shavertown, Friday evening, July 4, buds.

t seven o'clock, in St. Paul's Lutheran Following the ceremony, a reception Church. Rev. John R. Taylor per- for about a hundred and fifty guests ormed the double ring ceremony, and was held at the home of the bride. Mrs. Evans is a graduate of Kings-Fom Hontz presided at the organ. Attendants were Miss Anita Rinus of Trucksville and Matthew Evans Jr., lcass of 1947. Mr. Evans was also

brother of the bridegroom. Ushers were Willard Lozo and Willard Reese. The bride, who was given in mar-The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attractive in employed by Duponts in Wyandotte, white eyelet street-length dress with Michigan.

white accessories. Her shoulder bou-quet was of miniature carnations. Miss Electric avenue, Wyandotte, Mich. Rinus selected blue eylet dress with and the second second

Shavertown Couple Celebrates **Twenty-Fifth Wedding Anniversary**

Mr. and Mrs. Herman LaBar of Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Laird Stanton, Mt. Airy road, Shavertown, celebrated their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary Coon, Mr. and Mrs. Lance Harris, with a number of friends and members of their family, Thursday evening, June 26. The house was attractively decora-ted with June roses and a lovely hot bouse bouquet the gift of Mr. JaBar ted with June roses and a lowery hot house bouquet, the gift of Mr. LaBar to his wife. The party table was decorated with white roses and white candles. A three tier wedding cake and Mrs. Sam Margellina and Robert, was enjoyed by all. and Mrs. Sam Margennia and Robert, Present were: J. C. Weaver, Mr. Mr. and Mrs. Herman LaBar and Donna Mae. Mrs. Roy Martz, Mr. and Mrs. Clark

Notes on the Show

By Mary Burnside

It was a fine day for the Third Annual Back Mountain Horse Show. The sun was hot, but a fresh breeze kept the spectators comfortable. Clear weather and high visibility set off the really magnificent view of rolling hills and farmland—so typical of the Back Mountain region. The cooperative weather-man set the key-note for a well-run show. Chairman Howard L. Hendricks was well pleased with the smoothness of the operation and the Mrs. Paul Parrish and the hostess. Hendricks was well pleased with the fine spirit of cooperation among the

officials and workers responsible. A well-satisfied winner was Dick Ide, who took third place in the Hostess To Ladies Horsemanship class with his Little Sir Echo. Dick has owned the horse

only a week. There was a stir of excitement when several horses, belonging to R. A. Davis, escaped as they were being inloaded. They were off for a mile ong run through the nearby meadows, but were safely apprehended. One of them, Mr. Davis tells me, is called, appropriately enough, Rambling Wil-

Judge J. Raymond Chamberlain has Enjoy Fishing Trip had a varied experience in all kinds of horsemanship. At one time he was a cow puncher in Arizona and

Mrs. John Taylor Is Guest **At Surprise Variety Shower**

Ladies Auxiliary of St. Paul's Lu- | Those attending were: Mesdames

would celebrate their wedding annie Taylor, Pam and Junior. versary on the following day. Valuable Collie Strays

From Idetown Owner

Julius Stern, Idetown, lost a valu-able eleven-months-old Scotch collie puppy Tuesday night when it slipped John Stern.

The puppy had just arrived from Hudson Valley kennel and is quite timid and unfamiliar with this area. Anyone who finds the dog will make Harvey's Lake 243.

theran Church tendered a surprise Willard Lozo, Thomas E. Hontz, Delvariety shower to Mrs. John Taylor bert Garinger, Katherine Lemke, Earl on Wednesday afternoon. The Aux- H. Monk, J. H. Batey, R. J. W. Temiliary held a short business meeting plin, Morgan W. Ruch, John Eck, at one o'clock in the church and Edith Ahouse, William Dierolf, Evethen went to the parsonage where they greeted Mrs. Taylor with many beautiful gifts. Though they were not aware at the time that they plan-not aware at the time that they planned the shower, Rev. Taylor informed Marley, Jessie Yocum, Walter Gerlach, the Auxiliary that he and Mrs. Taylor Miss Mary H. Boldt, Rev. and Mrs.

College Friends Meet

A group of girls, recent graduates of College Misericordia, met Wednesday night at the home of Helen Vukavich, Parrish Heights. The girls, all ts collar while out for a walk with members of this year's graduating class, have been friends all through college

and visit together each week. Present were Virginia Ferry, Joan Caffrey, Katherine Burke, Mary Kern, Irene Mr. Stern very happy if he will call Inyder, June Kistler, Edith Howell, Ruth Monk, and Helen Vukovich.

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A Schoolmaster's Desk MOST people like a desk. For one and while the upper part could be of orderly habits, a capacious slant- lifted off its framework if the latter

Hostess at Dinner Mrs. Della Parrish of Idetown ntertained at a picnic dinner, Friday, uly 4. Present were: Mr. and Mrs.

Herbert Updyke of Washington, Pa., Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Hadsel and Martha of Dallas; Mrs. W. Howard Crosby and Drew, of Knoxville, Tenn.; Mr. and Mrs. David Ide, Ethel, Bruce, Richard, Harold, Glenn Ide, Mrs.

Mrs. H. A. Brown Is

Mrs. H. A. Brown entertained memers of Lehman W.S.C.S. at the Quarterly Executive meeting, Monday, June Reports were made out and plans for the coming year discussed. Present were: Mrs. A. M. Major, Mrs. F. K. Abbott, Mrs. A. B. Simms, Mrs. Albert Ide, Mrs. Ella Major and the hostess.

A number of local people enjoyed picnic and fishing trip on Sunday

Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Roberts and Bobby, Jim and Terry of Newark, N.J., Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Roberts and Mary, Janet, George and Willie Rae of Baltimore, Md., and Mr. and Mrs. Alex Brezinski and Joan Ann of Kingston

Mrs. John R. Benner has returned to her home on Machell avenue after spending two weeks with her sons and daughters-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth G. Benner and family of Cleveland, Ohio, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Richard Benner of Joliet, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cooke and sons, Robert, Carl, Ralph and Ronald of Chester were guests of Mrs. Cooke's cousin and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Atkinson of Trucksville, recently. Mrs. Cooke is the former Margaret Wyant. Mr. and Mrs. Byron Atkinson and Donna spent the weekend with the Atkinsons.

Word has been received that Rev. Gertrude Ross, Dean of Women at Wessington Spring College, recently underwent a serious operation. Rev Ross was formerly pastor at Trucksville and Dallas Free Methodist Church.

Mrs. Paul Seager and family are visiting the former's sister and brother,

SHAVER Shavertown THEATRE

FRIDAY-SATURDAY

"California"

in technicolor with Barbara Stanwyck Ray Milland, Barry Fitzgerald

MONDAY-TUESDAY DOUBLE FEATURE

"Death Valley"

with Robert Lowry, Helen Gilbert "Personality Kid" with Ted Donaldson, Anita Louise

WEDNESDAY-THURSDAY

"Lady Luck" with Robert Young, Frank Morgan Barbara Hale

CARTOON-SPORT REEL

Richard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mr. and Mrs. J. Stanley Rine-Rife. himer, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Ruther-Mr. and Mrs. William Franklin of

ford, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Robinhold, Endicott spent the Fourth of July Mr. and Mrs. Harold Titman, Mr. and with Mr. and Mrs. James Franklin. Mrs. Joe MacVeigh, Mr. and Mrs. Mrs. Anna Kinsman of Luzerne is Tom Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Charles spending several days with Mr. and Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Watson Mrs. Joseph Bytheway of Lehman. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kiefer, Mrs. Mail-Charles Bytheway is spending sevander, and Mr. and Mrs. Ohlman.

eral weeks with his uncle, William Franklin, of Endicott. Before his re-Mrs. Alva Eggleston turn they expect to spend sometime in Canada. Arthur Franklin and sons, Billy and

Ransom of Demunds road.

Allen G. Kittle of Chase.

Miss Freda Kittle of Sweet Valley

spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs.

WEDDINGS

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hurch street.

Entertains at Cards Jimmy, have been spending sometime Mrs. Alva Eggleston of Vernon

with Mr. and Mrs. James Franklin. ecently entertained members of her Mrs. Mabel M. Evans, Dallas, has ard club. Present were: Mrs. Samuel received word that her mother, Mrs. Maria E. Moyer, of Kingston, has ar-Ashley and daughter Loisann, Mrs. rived safely in Idaho where she is Fred Eck, Mrs. Joseph Hand, Mrs. Ord Trumbower, Mrs. Charles Maxvisiting friends and relatives. Before well, Mrs. Kenneth Rice and Mrs. returning she will visit relatves in Dregon and Calfornia. Glenn Case.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh W. Ransom of Pittsburgh announce the birth of a Full Holiday Weekend laughter, Lynne Marcia, Wednesday, uly 2, at Elizabeth Steele Magee Mr. and Mrs. John Girvan of Lake

Hospital. Mrs. Ransom is the former Street had as guests over the weekend, Audrey F. Banta, Luzerne. Mr. Ran-Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lawski of Washom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Coray ington, D.C. On Friday evening they intertained, including the above, Mr. Mrs. Esther la Point and daughter and Mrs. Joseph Girvan of Norrisune, and Lynn Hackett spent a few lays this week at the Reed home on

own, Pa; Mrs. Ethel Anwyl, Tunkannock; Samuel Waltman, Bingham on, N.Y., and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Kepner. 'On Sunday the Girvans and Lawskis, accompanied by Albert Lewis, rove to Allenwood, Pa., where they

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hull and risited Mrs. Helen Lewis. The Lawson, Bobby, and Mr. and Mrs. William kis continued to Washington, while Graham, son, Billy, and daughter Lynne, of Philadelphia, were guest Mr. and Mrs. Girvan and Mr. and Mrs. Lewis motored to Jersey Shore. of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Culp of Leh-Mrs. Lewis expects to return home nan Avenue over the week end. about September 26. Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Reed and

Theodore, also Mrs. Theodore Seavy **Florida Guests** of Church street spent several days

ast week visiting in Cranford, N.J. Dr. and Mrs. J. William Hawley, Mr. and Mrs. Don Evans and sons Tampa, Florida, are guests of Mr. and Don Jr. and Terry, of Church street Mrs. Coray B. Ransom of Demunds have returned after visiting for several or ten days. They will leave for Wil-

iamsport on the eighteenth of July where they will visit Mr. Hawley's sister. On the twenty-eighth they will go to Lake Chautauqua, N.Y., before visiting Mrs. Hawley's sister, Mrs. Candidly Photographed William Strech, of Ann Arbor, Mich.

new building, said Mr. Richardson, will be a place where movies can be days with relatives and friends in shown indoors throughout the year Scotia, N.Y. Mrs. Evans' mother, Mrs. Eleanor Shannon, who has been space for fire fighting and police equipvisiting in Scotia with her son, Arthur, ment

returned with them. Dwight Fisher entered two hunters Elizabeth Dierolf is spending some in the show, as well as contributing time with her aunt and uncle, Mr. several trophies. A third horse, and Mrs. Howard Troxell, of Forty Ogontz, cut a leg in the van enroute to Lehman and had to be withdrawn.

New Mexico. He has a stable of his own, and has owned twenty-four head. In the Army, Mr. Chamberlain was chosen from one hundred ner and Alan Roberts. and fifty men in the 14th Cavalry to attend advanced Equition school

Fred Schnure Improving He has judged at many local shows. He mentioned specifically the Bell

Fred Schnure, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wood Hunt Show in Chester County. Herman Schnure of Milton, Pa., son Mr. Chamberlain's wife and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Schnure, attended the show. His daughter improving slightly after being rides hunters and, said the Judge with critically ill of lock-jaw. He was a touch of pardonable paternal pride, removed from the iron lung this week. 'She's going to make a good rider, Fred is the son of the former Emily

Honeywell of Kunkle. An estimated 2,500 people show. attended, said Chairman Hendricks.

was Henry Elston, a blacksmith. Mr.

Elston, who has his shop in Kingston,

said he had a quiet day, though he

did put one pair of shoes on for a

was Max Goldstein. Mr. Goldstein

wore a black striped suit and top-hat

as he drove his horse, Chippy, in

the Fine Harness Class. This is the

proper attire for a carriage driver, he

said. A coach-dog is also required

equipment.' He has always kept these

dogs and planned to have one with

him, but three of his pets died this

year, the last one on Memorial Day.

Andy Richardson, one of the police

men directing parking at the show,

calls himself a "movie cop." A mem-

ber of the Lake Silkworth Volunteer

Fire Company, he patrols the outdoor

movie house there. Like the Lehman

Fire Company, they are having a

building drive at Lake Silkworth. The

One of the best-dressed contestants

vere sold.

Local Folks Spend There were sixty-seven horses shown, including post-entries. At noon, about Fourth at Penn Lake seven hundred people ate a dinner prepared by the Ladies Auxiliary of

A number of local people enjoyed the Fire Company, and supper was an outing at Penn Lake on July 4. also served. Loren Keller, head of They were: Mr. and Mrs. Thomas C. Reese, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas G. the Refreshment Committee, said two nundred pounds of hot dogs and two Reese, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hallock, hundred and fifty cases of soft-drink

Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Garinger, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Reese, Mr. and Mrs It was a quiet day at the First-Aid William Pierce, Mr. and Mrs. David Station, where Mrs. Marie Wolfe and

Pierce, Mr. and Mrs. James Gross Mrs. Ruth Simms were standing. Mrs. Jimmie and Ralph Gross. Wolfe had a fine view of the show ring from her window, but no cases more serious than a few blisters. Also standing by in case of an emergency

Read The Classified Column **MECK IS BACK** AND YOU CAN HAVE HIM !

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They were Mr. and Mrs. Herman top of the Chippendale period with needed to be pressed into service as Reese, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Ide, pigeon holes, document boxes and a table, the box stage of its existence Mr. and Mrs. Ephraim Roberts, Jean other compartments is a satisfaction, was over. Hendershot, Bonnie Reese, James Tur-

providing "a place for everything The first ten years of the 18th and everything in its place." But for Century saw another important im-The first ten years of the 18th the person who lets the morning provement when the slanting lid bemail, chance snapshots, newspaper came hinged at the bottom and clippings and accumulated letters he equipped with sliding bracket supintends to answer "tomorrow" all ports. Its interior had pigeon holes take their chance together, there is and small drawers with curved outnothing like the simple unpartitioned lines. This was fine but expensive so interior of a schoolmaster's desk like cabinetmakers continued to make the earlier form with lid hinged at the

the one shown here. In the single shallow drawer be- top for clients of limited means. neath can be kept

paper. envelopes and stamps, in case he eventually gets around to carrying out any of his good intentions. Pen and ink can rest handily just back of the hinged lid, beneath which important and unimportant papers

may mingle in happy confusion. Schoolmaster's desks, so-called be-cause that is what they were in the early days of the little red schoolhouse, were di-rect descendants of a very early type. There have been written messages since the dawn of civilization but a special piece of furniture for use in

writing such messages is of comparatively recent date. Before the middle of the 17th Century one used the top of a table or other

box.

This simple piece made about 1825 is typical of those used in district and village schools in all parts of the United States during the first half of the 19th Century. It has both a drawer and a slanting lid that raises to give access to the space beneath. Desks similar to this were sometimes made of maple, cherry or birch. With longer legs such desks were also made for business use and are called counting house desks.

tained the Bible, valuable papers, writing materials, money, etc. No one knows who first got tired of lifting it off shelf or ta-ble, but somewhere, sometime during walcashed the billing it off shelf or ta-ble, but somewhere, sometime during the 1640s this Bible box, as it was called, developed a slanting lid, hinged at the top. Next came an idea about the interior and the forerunner stead of two parts. Basically, though of the desk with pigeonholes and they were one with the 17th Century similar compartments showed itself desks-on-frame. Native woods, inin sections for paper, quill pens, ink-pots and sandboxes. But it was still birch, were used in making these a box and a small one at that so they began making it deeper and added a drawer. Put on a table it served the served of the latter day desk the purpose of the latter day desk. The next step of course was a spe-cial stand for it. So the box was made in a still larger size and placed on a frame similar to that of the houses, there were authors in the early tavern table, that is, four legs connected near the floor by stretchers. The outline of a desk could defi- works of Sir Walter Scott were writnitely be seen in this arrangement ten at such a desk.

flat surface and kept one's materials in a It was a very spe-cial box since it con-

PINE SCHOOLMASTER'S DESK



