### News of the Churches

St. PAUL'S CHURCH
St. Paul's Lutheran Church,
Shavertown, lists services for Sun
Hoad, at 8 P. M.
Thursday, May 10, the ladies of the Trucksville Church will meet

services are similar and are being plenty of work for every one. held for the convenience of the at 8:30 A. M. while the Senior Choir leads in the singing at 11:00 like a part, please contact Rev.

A. M. Webster or Mrs. S. D. Finney.

Sunday School is at the usual Sunday, May 13, at 7:30 P. M.

based on II Samuel 5-8 and I Chronicles 22:17-19.

The Luther League meets regu larly every Sunday at 7:00 P. M. Plans are being made for a Strawberry Festival and a one act play for Friday, June 15, at the Church.

SHAVERTOWN METHODIST Sunday School, 9:45; church 11 May 13th.

A. M. with preaching by Rev. Howard Goeringer, secretary of the Council of Churches; candlelight service, 7:30, Miss Loretta L. Olver, narrator. This is sponsored by Trucksville and Shavertown WSCS. Special singing is by Gwendolyn

#### TRUCKSVILLE CHURCH

Sunday, May 6, regular morning services will be held at the White Church on the Hill, with Sunday School at 9:30, classes for all ages. The regular morning worship service will be at 10:45 A. M.

Shavertown Church for a special be received. service entitled "We Seek Him Tovice with a speech choir, special singing, and a pageant of lighted Scouts and Brownies. symbols. A social hour will follow. All are invited to take advantage hearse at the usual hours. of this very worth while service.

the Study Groups of Shavertown John Merical by their daughters, and Trucksville W. S. C. S. will Mrs. Arthur Dungey and Mrs. Rusunite in a meeting at Shavertown sell Strunk. Church to hear Mrs. Earl Hons At recent meetings Warden Kunteeth. finish the study book "Rural Pros- kle was elected chairman of the pects." Transportation from Truck- Auditing Committee; Robert Rosville will be provided. Please con- berts, chairman of the Recreational tact Mrs. Sheldon Jones.

at the Church at 10 A. M. to house-The pastor of the Church, the clean the church kitchen. Each Rev. Frederick W. Moock, Jr., will one is requested to bring her own preach at both the 8:30 A. M. cleaning equipment and sandand the 11:30 A. M. services on wiches. Coffee will be furnished. the subject, "The Comforter is Any one who would like to help is Coming." Incidentally, the two invited to come. There will be

Friday, May 11, Womanless Wedcongregation. The Luther League ding and Fashion Show at Parsons. Choir will be present this Sunday If any member of the cast cannot take part, or if any one would

Sunday School is at the usual hour—9:45 A. M. We invite all Mr. Charles DeWitt of Towanda, age groups to study with us and Pa., who was in charge of schools thereby learn more concerning in Occupied Germany for a year, God's Word. The lesson for this will speak and show slides taken Sunday is "The United Kingdom" while he was there. This service will be sponsored by the W. S. C. S. Every one is welcome to this very worthwhile program.

Wednesday, May 16, Mother and

Daughter Banquet at the Church, All Mothers and Daughters are invited to attend. Tickets may be secured from any member of the Friendship Class not later than

DALLAS METHODIST

Sunday—Sunday School —10:00 Classes for all ages above three years. All children's work is closely graded. Morning Worship—11:00. The minister will continue the series of sermons on "Great Texts of the Bible" by speaking on the theme, "So God created Man in His own Image". Youth Fellowship-6:30. Worship led by Carl Bailey. June Owens will lead the discupssion. Sunday Evening Fellowship—7:30. A brief worship service followed by the sound, motion picnursery is provided for pre-school ture, "In His Name". This picture tells the story of a boy who threw Sunday evening, May 6, 7:30 a stone through a church window P. M., our W. S. C. S. will unite and became a winister. Showing with Shavertown W. S. C. S. in the time-45 minutes. An offering will

Monday—Troop 281 will meet in gether." This is a candlelight ser- the Social rooms at seven o'clock. Tuesday—4:00 Intermediate Girl

> Thursday— All choirs will re-The flowers this Sunday are pre-

Wednesday, May 9, at 2 P. M., sented in memory of Mr. and Mrs.

Committee; Sheldon Mosier, chair-Wednesday, May 9, the Reynolds man of the Evangelism Committee; Bible Class will meet at the home Richard Oliver, chairman of the of Mrs. R. A. Finney, Carverton Music Committee; and Clark S.

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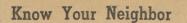
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WILLIAM JACKSON ROBBINS, 3rd

foxes. These are the babies, which out of unbearable agony. grown to adulthood, Mr. Robbins used in laying a fox scent for a hunt out at Sgarlat Lake.

He usually has a pet fox around the premises. There was one time, though, when he had to abandon his plan to rescue a beautiful red fox from a trap and add it to his breeding stock. The creature froze onto his wrist and could not be jaws refused to open, and had to be pried apart. Mr. Robbins still has the scars. He says, reminiscently, that a fox's claws are like

conservation, something which he pool. may have inherited from his Mohawk ancestry. The lean face, prominent nose, high cheek bones, oupled with the erect carriage and the ground without apparent ex- fodils is everywhere. ertion, are his by right, dominant characteristics handed down to him It is not by accident that he could ping a bare pole. have modelled the Indian on the

old copper penny. Wearing the deerskin jacket den Clubs, as well as a charter which he made and elaborately member of Camp 274, Harveys beaded and fringed at the time he Lake, United Sportsmen of Penn-

picture. in the Cherry Valley Massacre. In speaking of this, he said that tween denuded and eroded hill-

Hildebrant, chairman of the Pastoral Relations' Committee.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Blake, New Blake's mother, Mrs. Emma Shar-East Lansdowne, Penna.

of Christian Service will hold its Church, The Devotional Service and surplus, waste from selvedge edges Program will begin at seven-thirty which could be bought by the o'clock. Mrs. Clark S. Hildebrant will lead the devotional service. Mr. B. Everett Lord, of the Science Department of Wyoming Seminary, that there was a great demand will be the guest speaker. He will for pure white rugs for the Pittsspeak on the theme, "Be Strong in burgh market. These were woven cussion will be, "Alcohol and Nar- terial. cotic Drugs". Business meeting and social hour will follow. All women William Jackson Robbins, three are invited.

Here is William Jackson Robbins, generally known is that it was the Bd, modelling two live fox-skins. | squaws who followed along in the He found himself in the baby fox wake of a raid and put the woundbusiness after buying a vixen which ed out of business with a tomahad been caught in a trap. The hawk, practicing euthanasia long vixen, its broken leg splinted and before moderns argued pro and con healed, gave birth to a pair of on the ethics of putting suffereres

High on the side of a hill in Trucksville, abutting the Staub farm, the Robbins have built their nest in a location with a marvelous view of the valley beneath. This present home is the second house that has stood there, replacing in 1929 the summer cottage in which the Robbins family had summered since 1907, two years after the dislodged. Even after death, its present William Jackson was born.

Ancient apple trees with their gnarled and silvered limbs have been carefully preserved, and more and more wild flowers have been razors, almost as deadly as its transplanted to the rock garden. Bloodroot and hepaticas bloom in Mr. Robbins has a way with wild the sheltered shade, gleaming goldlife, and a deep-seated urge for fish weather the winter in the deep

On the other side of the house, sloping toward the sun, the flower gardens have pale primroses long before they blossom anywhere the lithe stride that gets him over else, and the deeper gold of daf-

There are white painted birdhouses on every convenient limb, from the Indian maiden who was dozens of them. Bluebirds nest his great-great-grandmother. here every spring in a house top-

Mr. Robbins is a member of Wyoming Valley and West Side Garand his father were giving lectures sylvania. It was he who fought on Indian lore, Mr. Robbins needs for district soil conservation in only a war-bonnet to complete the Luzerne County some years ago, carrying the torch against a bloc Ancestors of Mr. Robbins figured of determined farmers and landsomething which might not be sides and the rapidly lowering water table.

During the lifetime of Mr. Robbins' father, the family rug-weaving plant was operated on Wyoming Street, Wilkes-Barre, in the Goss Manor, son Robert and Mrs. same location for 55 years. It was the elder Mr. Robbins who set up rock, were received into church the chair caning and rug-weaving membership on Sunday by transfer shop for the Blind Association, from the Trinity Methodist Church, moving his own looms and apparatus to the organization rooms to Tuesday-The Woman's Society instruct in their use.

For a time business boomed, regular, monthly meeting at the with materials available from war pound, all new material, which worked up into excellent rugs. Mr. Robbins remembers with a chuckle the Lord". The problem for dis- from waste from shrimp net ma-

> With the death of the elder years ago, the plant in Wilkes-Barre was closed and two of the looms, one a two harness, the other a four, were set up in the basement of the house on the hill. It is in this smaller plant that rugs are now woven and chairs caned, while a pet fox looks on morosely from her corner near the furnace. The other looms are stacked in the shed, crowding the Indian relics, until a better place can be found for them.

> The four-harness loom can weave a variety of patterns. The rug currently being woven is a herringbone pattern of warp, known to early settlers as Kersey weave, a much more durable kind of weaving than the straight over and under of the primitive loom. Wear comes on the material itself in a herringbone weave, not on the warp threads. The shuttle, filled with strips from striped polo shirting, shoots back and forth and the rug grows before your eyes. It is hand-powered, but astonishingly

As for chair caning, Mr. Robbins puts himself on record as stating that plastic cane is not as good as natural cane, and that natural cane seats can be preserved practically indefinitely if properly cared for. A beeswax preparation will

keep the canes pliable and prevent

Good rush, he says, is practically impossible to obtain. Salt water rush does not stand up well in this climate. There used to be a huge tract of satin-rushes growing in fresh water down near the river near South Wyoming Avenue, but since the building of the dike they have disappeared. These rushes worked up beautifully pliable and made excellent seats. But with that source of supply cut off, Mr. Robbins has turned to an imitation rush which looks better, wears better, and costs far less than the original material.

Among his treasures, too numerous to list, Mr. Robbins has a saber presented by his men to Lieutenant William Jackson Robbins in 1865. That William was a brother of James Stewart Robbins, who, home on leave before the close of Civil War hostilities, was killed by rebel sympathizers at Fishing Creek. He has some odd clocks, one tall one with wooden works which keeps perfect time. And Indian relics by the hundred.

A brief summary of vital statistics shows Mr. Robbins born in Wilkes-Barre in 1905; attending North Street grade school and Coughlin High, with a course at Wilkes-Barre Business College; entering business with his father: marrying the former Margaret Jane Humphreys of Kingston; fathering two children, Wilma, now 18, and a senior at Kingston Township, and William Jackson Robbins, 4th, twelve years old; and carrying on the family business in a more restricted form.

Just before we left, Mr. Robbins lifted into the rear of the Dallas Post station wagon two small chairs which he said had been left for repair and never called for, the owners having moved away. "Might as well let the Library Auction have them", he said, giving the small splint rocker and the outmoded high chair a final boost, "good new work in both of

#### Mrs. Anna L. Swanson Shows Improvement

Mrs. Anna L. Swanson, 78, mother of Chief of Police Fred Swanson of Harveys Lake, is showing improvement following a stroke suffered two weeks ago today.

Mrs. Swanson who lives alone at her home in Ruggles was discovered lying in a coma on the floor of her bedroom about 4 o'clock in the afternoon when Fred stopped in for his daily call. He gave first aid and summoned Dr. Lester Saidman of Noxen. It is believed that Mrs. Swanson had the stroke about 10 o'clock.

Her sister Mrs. Bertha Hanson of Jamestown, N. Y., is now wth her.



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