

Idetown

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A number of people from here attended the Ide Reunion last Saturday at Norris Glenn.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Mal-kemes and children Carol, Buddy, Charles and Chuck of Shavertown and Mrs. George Casterline spent a few days visiting relatives and friends in Reading recently.

Mrs. Hayden Williams spent a few days with her mother, Mrs. Minnie Doty of Germantown who observed her seventy fourth birthday over the weekend.

Eleanor and Patsy McKenna camped at Meshoppen last week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Bruce Shaver are at their cottage at North Lake.

Mrs. Walter Smith is spending this week with her son and daughter-in-law, Rev. and Mrs. Harry Smith of Union Center, N. Y., while her daughter Kathryn and Jack Lynch of Wilkes-Barre are at Ocean Grove, N. J. for this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Matthews and children Robert, Kathryn,

Fanny, Wayne and Eileen of Chanango Bridge, N. Y., spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Hilbert.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard F. Reilly returned home on Thursday after spending sometime with Mr. and Mrs. Paul Rice of Jersey Shore.

The beautiful basket of flowers in the church pulpit last Sunday morning was given in memory of Earl Lamoreaux by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lamoreaux.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Kritzberger and daughter Naomi of Philadelphia spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Kreidler.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Hilbert Jr. and son Frederick of Easton spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Hilbert Sr.

Marilyn daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Fritz of Baltimore is spending some time with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kanon of Nanticoke.

Mrs. Martha McManus and grandson Bobby Jones of Wilkes-Barre spent last week with Hayden Williams while Mrs. Williams visited her mother, Mrs. Minnie Doty and sister, Mrs. Ada Stewart

of Germantown.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Kreidler Jr. of Wilkes-Barre and Mary Jane Tryon spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Kreidler.

Karlyn and Fanny Matthews of Chenango Bridge, N. Y., returned to their home after spending last week with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Hilbert.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Covey and daughters Bonnie and Judith Anne of Old Bridge, N. J., are spending two weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph E. Ide.

Miss Faythe Hackett of Bloomsburg State Teachers' College spent the weekend with Miss Lorraine Keller.

Mrs. Claire McKenna and Eleanor spent a few days in Syracuse, N. Y. with Maryclaire and Joanne McKenna.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Johns of Elizabeth, N. J., spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. William Casterline. Their son Bradley returned with them after spending two weeks with the Casterlines.

Mrs. Harold Dymond and infant son Gary Alan returned to their home on Saturday from the Nesbitt Hospital.

Lehman

Mrs. Gordon Dawe, Phone 362-R-10

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Brown, Grace Ferry and E. L. Truitt of Philadelphia were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Lewis.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Johnson of Endicott, N. Y., Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Richards and family of Dallas spent July 4th with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Johnson.

Miss Josephine Preston of Owega, N. Y., is spending several days with Mr. and Mrs. George Lewis.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Rood have just returned from a fishing trip in Canada.

Dr. and Mrs. H. A. Brown are spending several days in Hampton, Va., visiting their son Harold and family. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Brown are recent parents of a baby son.

Miss Judith Saville of Palmerton, Pa., is spending several days with Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Simms.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Dawe and Billie are vacationing in New England and Canada this week.

Walking Purchase Of 1737 Ended Peace With Indians

Except for a small outbreak with Indian traders along the lower Susquehanna Valley, caused by an unofficial 'Riding Purchase,' relations with the Indians in Penn's Province were amicable until the time of the Walking Purchase on September 19, 1737.

It was proposed to buy from the Indians a triangle of land as far as a man could walk from sunrise to sunset, which seemed fair to the chiefs Lappowinzo and Tishcohan. Instead, three fast runners, Marshall, Jennings and Yeates, were engaged to run a relay marathon, all to receive 500 acres of land as reward, which would take in six times as much ground as a man might walk in a day. The group was headed by Thomas Marshall, a Quaker athlete, whose marathons were the talk of two continents, and who exacted as his chief prize of his achievement, a rich, fertile island in the Delaware River near Tinticum, cultivated by the redskins for many centuries, where he died at upwards of 90 years, and is buried.

After that cruel deception, the Indians literally 'washed their hands' of the younger Penns. They are not like Onas (William Penn), remarked the much harassed chief of the Delaware, Teedyuscung, 20 years later. The Indians reversed their policy of friendly toleration with the whites and gave way only by force of arms or at prices which would have staggered Onas, the great half-Dutch, half-Welsh Quaker founder of Pennsylvania, had he lived.

The day of the Walking Purchase was clear and chilly and produced a spectacular event which historians have carefully recorded. At the head of the group to witness the start, (the site has since been marked by the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, the Gallows Hill Marker being noted for its historic dignity and artistic proportions) rode Thomas Penn, son of the Founder.

Marshall was given a round of applause as he started off and of the three was alone to continue at a trot until the sun sank behind the walls of the Pocomos. Sol. Jennings collapsed in fording the Lehigh and was an invalid for his few remaining years, while James Yeates had a dizzy spell at Die Wind Kluff (Wind Gap), became blind and died of fatigue the same night.

The Indian sellers, who went along as umpires, dropped out at the time of Yeates' collapse, saying that the 'run' was a fraud perpetrated upon them and they would have nothing further to do with such an infamous imposture. Marshall finished alone, feeling fit, and sat down and ate a big cold supper he had carried with him in his deerskin rucksack. He received the island he coveted, which is known as Marshall's Island. Instead of an exchange of money and deeds, the Indians returned to Philadelphia in angry mood, refused to accept the result of the 'walk' and held out against its ratification and the incoming of Set-

Sweet Valley

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Lanning and family spent the weekend in Philadelphia.

Ladies Auxiliary, Sweet Valley Volunteer Firemen, are planning a dance at Wolfe's Grove, Wednesday, July 18.

Mr. and Mrs. Aldwin Culver, Broadway, spent Sunday evening with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Culver.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Naugle have been spending some time in Mohawk, N. Y., where they attended their grandson Richard Naugle's wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brown, Syracuse, N. Y., spent the week with Wilbur Shaw, Mrs. Brown's father.

Mr. and Mrs. Freas Morris and family spent the weekend at Sayre, visiting relatives.

brother Richard, sons of the original proprietor who came to Pennsylvania in 1732. Local cartoons, reflecting the views of the general run of the population, were not favorable but the 'walking purchase' on that blowy September morn in 1737 will long remain a highlight in the annals of Pennsylvania folklore and history.

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