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## Mt. Zion

I had a brief visit the other evening from Brainerd Daniels of Kitchen Road, Mt. Zion. He is the chairman of solicitations for the Mt. Zion August coming up for Saturday, Sept. 7. He suggests that I mention the Auction every chance I get and to everyone I meet, so people will be calling him up to tell him they have something to give for sale at the Auction. Antiques, odds and ends, house plants, books. Well, I expect to be contacting 98 people twice each week up at Valley Crest. I might begin there. I know some who would like to get rid of arthritis; others wish they could give some of their too-many birthdays. Maybe those things would not sell too well, but people at an auction could sure use some of the smiles those folks give me!

By the way, speaking of Valley Crest, there's a lady who recently

went from Valley Crest to live in a foster home with Mrs. Hawley over at Lehman (R. D. 4, Dallas). Her name is Mrs. Ida Askew and she's a fine Christian woman. Any drop in and visit her. She's good to talk with.

We lost a patient by death, from the Back Mountain area last week, Mrs. Emma Gensel. One time when I was visiting her she asked me to sing. I think it was "The Old Rugged Cross," one verse of which I sang. Then she said, "Sing that verse over again!" And I did. I like to think that now she knows the whole gospel story and what it does for people. She must know, for she is on the other side of that story now.

Now I don't want people writing in to The Dallas Post and saying, "Doesn't Gilbert know anything else than what Valley Crest is doing?" But there's a 92 year old lady up there who is bright as a dollar and always writing letters who reads the Dallas Post which seems to get around those halls. She said to me the other day, "Well, I see the Ralph Hazeltines were visiting you. They are relatives of mine." She told me she cut out the article to send to some cousin of hers and theirs. This is Mrs. Elizabeth Tompkins, member of Wilkes-Barre's First Methodist Church.

We had a couple of pleasant visitors from Carverton last week. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pryn, Naomi had talked with Catherine about flowers and brought her over a big bunch of different roots. One of them was a coral bell, a tiny little stalk of red bells growing up from a long spreading plant. So Catherine took Dick and Naomi on a tour of the grounds, and then back to the front porch for a visit. Naomi tells me that the people involved in the Sloucum Park project are now out of their homes and building new ones, some of them nearby to the project. Also she tells me that the pipe line builders are hard at work laying pipes to avoid the Park grounds. This involves the cutting of a number of trees and the portable power saws begin their buzz-

vuzzes early in the morning. She said her nephew's family, Mr. and Mrs. William Mann and son Bill (the same age as Pryn's Dale) have been visiting them a few days. They are from Hartford, Conn. While Dick and Naomi swung gently in our porch swing they told about how Dick gets great relaxation through music. They have an electric chord organ and Dick plays by the hour. It's a great thing to be able to play one's own music. There's therapeutic value in it for the nerves. I have a piffle-flute (recorder) but Tuffy says it's the worst thing for a dog's nerves that was ever invented! When the Prynns left they had a box of roots from Catherine's garden and Cathy had a bunch from Naomi's.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Whitley and daughters, Sarah and Alison from Boston have been spending a week with Mrs. Whitley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Lewis.

When I got home from Mrs. Gensel's funeral last Saturday my folks had had word that B. E. Smith had died in his sleep that morning. How clearly the service of B. E. Smith stands out in the history of Mt. Zion Church! In my day he was one of the dependables of the community. His presence was always to be relied on, his counsel was sought for its value. B. E. Smith had a sense of humor accompanied by a merry twinkle in his eye. You couldn't help liking him. I never did know—and don't now—what his initials stood for, he was always known simply as B. E. Smith. But we knew the righteousness, the sturdy character that B. E. Smith stood for. His late wife was also

## Idetown

Rev. and Mrs. David Haines and children Barbara and Virginia and David Jr. and Linda of Emerson, N. J. are spending their vacation at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hoover. On Sunday the Hoovers gave a birthday dinner in honor of David Jr.'s third birthday. Present were: Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hoover, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Hoover and children, Cheryl, Joanne and Curtis; Mrs. Roxie Hessler and Miss Ruth Husted of Kingston; Mother and Daddy Haines and sisters, Virginia, Barbara and Linda; Grandpa and Grandpa Hoover.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Ward spent a few days last week in Atlantic City, also visited relatives in Rising Sun, Md. and Upper Darby. Arthur Ward Jr., of Wilkes Barre is spending this week with his Grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Ward.

Rev. and Mrs. David Haines with Virginia and Barbara visited some friends in Philadelphia, Phoenixville, and Lancaster. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. Alden Wagner and sons, Paul, Mark and Mrs. Harry Ide. Glad to report that Mrs. Ide is much improved.

Mrs. Libbie Smith who was a patient recently in the U.S. Naval Hospital in Bethesda, Maryland had as callers at her home this last week Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Smith, Mrs. Stephen Calkins, Mr. and Mrs.

## Lehman

Welcome home Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hardisky and daughter, Marie, who returned home after spending six weeks at Harvey's Lake. The neighbors are so glad to see them home again.

The beautiful flowers in the Methodist Church this morning were in memory of James Davenport, given by his family.

Mrs. James Davenport entertained Mrs. Parent, from Valley Crest Home, for the weekend, also Mr. and Mrs. Eddy Oncaj and family, Cindy, Buddy and Jeffrey. Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Harvey and daughter, Karen from Dallas, for Sunday dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddy Oncaj's son, "Jeffrey Christopher" was baptized this morning in the Methodist church.

Miss Fay Brown sang a solo, a song her grandmother sang when she was only five years old. It was called, "Make room for me". She sang it in a sweet clear voice.

Mrs. A. J. McCulloch has returned to her home in Scranton Methodist Home after spending a week with Mr. and Mrs. William Drabick.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Lamoreaux and daughter, Carolann and friend, Marylou Hunt traveled to Virginia to many historical places, and enjoyed it very much.

Many folks in Lehman remember Mrs. Abbott, Rev. Abbott's wife and will be glad to know that she is improving, and well enough to attend some of their church services, and work a bit in their garden.

The rose bud this morning in the Methodist church is in honor of the new arrival of the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Traver born August 17th. Her name is Lisa Marie.

## W.C.T.U. ENTERTAIN

The W.C.T.U. was entertained recently in the Methodist church. Mrs. Russell Hoover presided. Mrs. Edith Hoover gave the program, one of the dependables in my day. How the church and other worthwhile organizations learn to value people they can rely on. Now there are many descendants of B. E. Smith and his wife who are carrying on a notable tradition of citizenship for which our community and the world beyond our hills are richer.

George Smith, Mrs. Betty Goodman and daughter, Michelle; Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Webber, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Smith and son, Phillip; Betty Lou and Peggy Jane Smith; Mr. and Mrs. James Casterline, Mrs. Drew Fitch and son, Drew; Mrs. David Hudak and daughter, Debbie; Mrs. Vivian Rinken and daughter, Debbie; Ethel and Frankie Cooper, Miss Delores Dymond, Harold Zimman, Miss Mabel Bellas, Mr. and Mrs. John Lynch, Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Meade, Mrs. Ralph Gregory and daughters, Donna and Nancy; Mrs. Anthony Toluba and daughter, Carol; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Smith, Mrs. Gilbert Husted, Mrs. Charles Casterline and daughters, Cindy and Joanne; Mrs. Clarence Rinken, Mrs. Daniel Brown, Mr. Howard Boice, Mrs. Mildred Davis, Mr. and Mrs. James Hayden, Miss Bess Cooke and Mrs. Marion Kern.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Meade and sons, Donald and Walter Jr. spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Howard Meade and children in Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Gilk and children, Patty and Billy of Philadelphia spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Louis Laning, Jr.

Mrs. Charlotte Matthews and daughter, Elaine of Chenango Bridge, N. Y., spent a few days with her mother, Mrs. Wesley Hilbert and sister, Mrs. Lila Felt, Mrs. Hilbert and Mrs. Felt returned with Mrs. Matthews for a visit.

Mrs. Arthur Hoover and Mrs. Morton Connelly were hostesses. A covered dish dinner was served to the following: Hazel Hoover, Mildred Welsh, Lillian Hildebrandt, Minnie Hoover, Amelia Anderson, Ethel Johnson, Viola Hoover, H. A. Brown, Mrs. Russell Ide, Esther Weaver, Frances Garinger, Stella Schuler, Mrs. H. M. Howell, Jennie A. Grey, Ellis Hoover, Roswell Frederic, Mrs. Russell Hoover, Mrs. A. M. Major, Ruth Sorber, Letha Spaulding, Sadie Rossman, Addie Seafoss, Jane Kocher, Lillie Connelly, Mrs. George May, Mrs. Floyd Milbrodt.

Patricia Ann and Eric Major returned home after spending the week with their uncle and aunt Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Koons of Benton and cousins Mr. and Mrs. Roy Rhinard of Stillwater. They had a wonderful time, on their vacation.

## BIRTHDAYS

Congratulations to all who celebrated their birthdays this month: Mrs. Edith Sutton, Harry Cutting, Susan Masters, Elva A. Dravick, Charles Nuss, Dan Shaver, Allan S. Major, Viola Moss, Albert Foss, Mrs. Sadie Johnson, Bert Evans, William Major, Mrs. A. M. Major.

Celebrating wedding anniversaries were: Mr. and Mrs. Eton E. Adelman, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Lamoreaux, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ely, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard H. Ide Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Johnson entertained over the weekend their family and son, Brent, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Johnson and family from Vestal, New York. Mrs. Dottie Hughes and Mrs. Bettie Beck from Hillside called on their aunt and uncle, Mrs. Gerald W. Richards. Fine has returned to her home in Largo, Florida, after spending three weeks with her mother and father. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Johnson, Mrs. Johnson celebrated her birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Warmouth and mother Irlene Shaw from Delaware visited Mrs. Fay Brown.

Mrs. Ruth Nagle and family called on Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Brown recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Squier are home after spending some time camping in Canada.

## ENTERTAINS FRIENDS

Mr. and Mrs. Morton Connelly entertained some folks Sunday at a corn roast.

Present were: Mr. and Mrs. Chester Lamoreaux and daughter, Carolann, Mr. and Mrs. William Bachman and son, Billy and friend, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Bidwell and son, Billy, all from Forty Fort. Also Mrs. Stella Schuler, who makes her home with the Connely's.

## Names Omitted

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Langberry and Layton Love had their names omitted unintentionally from the guests listed at the Bredbenner party recently.

## East Dallas

St. Theresa's Church, Shavertown, was the setting, Saturday Morning, August 24, for the wedding of Barbara Rodack to Stephen R. Strazdus. Elaine Rodack, sister of the bride, was chosen for her maid of honor; and Brian Strazdus, cousin of the groom, was the best man.

A small reception for 16; members of both families, was held at Meneguzzo's in Luzerne, following the ceremony.

The happy couple left on a honeymoon trip to California. They will visit Stephen's nephew, Bill Maccioco and family; former residents of East Dallas.

Word was received of the death of Frank (Lefty) Strazdus, Boothwyn, Pa., Thursday, August 22, from a heart attack. He is a brother of August Strazdus, East Dallas, and a brother-in-law of Goldie Strazdus, former East Dallas resident. Frank lived in West Wyoming prior to Boothwyn. He leaves his widow, Stella and five children.

Carol and Ted Motross phoned her parents, the Bill Storks, to say they are happily settled on the campus in Texas. They are pleased to find their trailer neighbors are from Pennsylvania too; and think Texas is just fine.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony DeCosta, Mass., arrived Friday morning at Beatrice Moore's to spend a ten day vacation. Mrs. DeCosta is the former Janet Moore. They have four lovely children, Susan, David, Ricky and Robert Allan.

Mrs. Harry Martin, Sr., is recuperating at her home, Roushey Plot after a recent illness. We pray for a complete recovery, Florence.

Mrs. Pearl Stanton, State College, was a guest at the home of her son, Warren and family, Roushey Plot last week. Mrs. Stanton was then hostess to Warren, Marilla, Bobby and Carol, at her cottage at Race-town Dam, near Pittsburgh. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Jay Bloomer and two daughters. They left East Dallas last Friday and plan to return home, Tuesday after Labor Day.

Raymond Carlin, Jr., Snowshoe, former East Dallas resident, owns a cabin cruiser, which he operates on the Juniata River, near where the Stanton cottage is located. I hope they get a ride on it and I would love to be with them.

Caddy LaBar and family returned to their home on Ransom Road, Saturday, after enjoying a vacation in Canada.

Who had the large bon fire on the East Dallas Church grounds last week? Well, the men have been clearing the brush etc., on the land donated by Harry Goeringer. A huge pile was stacked and Glen Howell's Sunday school class of teenagers volunteered to burn it while the men were near, still cutting. Just two boys showed up besides teacher Glen Howell, Russell Ockenhouse and his nephews John and Dick Phillips. Come on, the rest of you lads—Your help was needed too.

Mrs. Lucy Morgan has rented an apartment in the home of Bessie Thomas, Hildebrandt Road, and will occupy it soon.

Mrs. Viola Brace, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Davies and son are on a two week vacation in Colorado, visiting Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Atkinson, the former Wilma Brace and family.

Gene and Eunice Swank Ellsworth, San-Jose, California; announce the birth of a baby girl, born June 20.

Mrs. Lester Moss, has returned to her home on Upper Demunds Road, after a four day visit with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Souder.

They are former East Dallas residents, now living in Old Bridge, N.J. Mrs. Moss' visit also included an enjoyable day at Ocean Grove with her family.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kunkle have each sold their homes in Binghamton and left to take up residence on Del Ray Beach, Florida, where he has accepted a position as a printer for a leading newspaper company. Mrs. Kunkle is the former Rozilla Carlin, East Dallas.

Three of her children are living in Florida, they are Peggy, Nancy, and Linda, all married. Jerry is in the Navy and Dick is a horse jockey.

Mitzie and Billie still live in Johnson City while Susie, is still with her mother.

Mr. Kunkle has a 16 year old son, Fred Jr.

Mrs. Dorothy Babchack, Allentown spent three days at Dallas Motel, while visiting her former East Dallas friends.

Mrs. Ann Conzani and family visited the Robert Picketts the weekend of the 17th. She is a sister of Mrs. Pickett.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bauschman spent last weekend with the Pickett family.

Paul and Mary Valentine, Florida,

## Trucksville

Birthday greetings to: Mame Dymond, Dawn Dick Riutta, David Palmer, Thomas Covert, Peggy Weigel Poynton, Verma Lee Pritchard, Mrs. Marion Harter, Ronnie Prutzman, Franklin Stroud, Audrey Billings, Bruce Cleasby, Keith Allen DeVincentis, Charles B. Fennell, Sr., Margaret Rhodes Anthony, Virginia Coolbaugh, Bret Hunter, Althea Crane, Sharon Kim Hinkle, Ruth Minerva Owens, Marion Perrin, Brad Van Etten.

William Lohman, has returned from Nesbitt Hospital, where he had been a patient this past week. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth J. Woolbert, and daughter, Ann, Rice Street are vacationing at the shore. Lucy Courtright and Arline Bessmer were luncheon guests of Mrs. Fred Greenley at her summer home in Benton on Thursday.

Rev. Robert Germond and family have returned from their vacation.

Mrs. Addison Woolbert, Sr., of Cranford, New Jersey, is spending the week with Arline Bessmer. She also visited the Addison Woolberts, Jr., in Nicholson, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Croom and family are now home after two weeks vacation.

Mrs. Bruce Long is improving, but still a patient in Nesbitt Hospital. She has been there three weeks.

The Donald Hinkles, Lehigh Street have a new baby girl. Mrs. Hinkle is the former Jane Ann

## Mrs. Carpenter Says Sunset Story All Wet

Mrs. Gilbert Carpenter, boning up on the history of Sunset, says whoever furnished the information about the pavilion in last week's issue of the Post, was all wet, that the pavilion was built over the lake, while the Oneonta was back from the water front. It would have been impossible for the pavilion to have been built on the ashes of the old hotel unless the Lake shore had accommodatingly moved itself inland.

So now it's anybody's battle, and old-timers are invited to say their piece.

Lohman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Lohman, Trucksville.

Gertrude Smith is now making her home with her sister, Mrs. Ben Post, Laurel Lane, Trucksville.

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