

obituaries

SARA SCHMIDLE DERBY

Sara S. Derby, 50, RD 3, Demunds Road, Dallas, died Dec. 1 at Nesbitt Memorial Hospital. She had been admitted Nov. 24 after several months illness.

Mrs. Schmidle was born in Wilkes-Barre and lived in the Back Mountain area 40 years. She was a member of the East Dallas United Methodist Church. She was a dressmaker and was employed by Denise Fashions and others. She was a member of ILGWU.

Her first husband, Thomas F. Schmidle, died Dec. 23, 1965. She is survived by her husband, Donald; daughters, Frances Morgan, Trucksville, and Deborah Derby, Connecticut; sons, Thomas Jr., Trucksville; William E., Dallas, and Mark, Connecticut; sister, Mrs. Lee Fuller, Luzerne; brothers, Evan and Jack Brown, Bethlehem; 12 grandchildren.

The funeral was held from Snowdon Funeral Home, Shavertown Dec. 3. The Rev. Charles F. Gomer Jr., officiated. Interment was in Denison Cemetery, Swoyersville.

OSCAR A. FISH

Oscar A. Fish, Noxen, died Dec. 6 in Leader Nursing Home, Kingston. Mr. Fish, 78, had been a guest in the home for two months.

Mr. Fish was born in Clarks Summit and resided in Forty Fort for a time prior to moving to Noxen 23 years ago. He was educated in Clarks Summit High School, and had been employed as an engineer for the Erie-Lackawanna Railroad 43 years.

Mr. Fish was a member of Noxen United Methodist Church and Noxen Volunteer Fire Company.

He is survived by his wife, the former Anna Whispell; children, Mrs. Clarence Ray and Mrs. Clayton Pardoe, Sunbury; Donald, Northumberland; Bernice Fish, Trenton; Mrs. Russell Transue Jr., Dallas; sister Mrs. Lois Hendershot, Harveys Lake; 10 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

Services were held Monday at the Disque Funeral Home, 672 Memorial Highway, Dallas.

BESSIE M. WHITESSELL

Bessie M. Whitesell died Dec. 5 at her home in Sweet Valley following an illness.

Mrs. Whitesell was born in Idetown and was a resident of Sweet Valley for 45 years. She was the mother of Elwood and Howard Whitesell, owners of Whitesell Brothers Lumber Co., Idetown.

Mrs. Whitesell attended Sweet Valley churches. She and her husband, George, would have celebrated their 49th wedding anniversary March 30.

She is survived by her sons; her husband; eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; a sister Ethel Shaver, Dallas, and a brother, Charles Frantz, Eltonville.

The funeral was held Monday from the Bronson Funeral Home, Sweet Valley. Interment was in Chapel Lawn Cemetery, Idetown.

CLYDE WARHAM BIRTH

A prominent citizen and civic leader of the Back Mountain area died suddenly Monday, Dec. 8, while at work. Clyde Warham Birth, 109 S. Pioneer Ave., Trucksville, suffered a fatal heart attack in Jackson Township where he had responded to a call for service. He was ready to return to his service station in Dallas when he was stricken at 2:45 p.m.

Mr. Birth was born at Broadway 67 years ago and was educated in Broadway schools. He resided in Trucksville for the last 37 years and owned and operated Birth's Dallas Esso Service Station on Rt. 309, Dallas, for many years.

He was a member of Trucksville United Methodist Church and its official board; past master of Wilkes-Barre Lodge 61, F&M; member of Bloomsburg Consistory, Irem Temple and Lehigh Valley Club, Allentown. He was president of Dallas Kiwanis Club, through which he was an active supporter of the Key Club and Keyettes Service Club. He sponsored many of their fund-raising projects and others in which teenagers participated.

He and his wife would have observed their 45th wedding anniversary Tuesday Dec. 9.

He is survived by his wife, the former Edith Gress; a son, Maj. Harold C. W. Birth, serving with the Air Force, Alconbury AFB, England; a daughter, Lola Lamoreaus, Fairfax, Va.; brothers, Robert Birth, Kearny, N.J.; Milo Birth, Muhlenburg; John Birth, Danville; a sister, Susan Hawke, Broadway; four grandchildren.

The funeral will be held from the Disque Funeral Home, 672 Memorial Highway, Dallas, today at 11 a.m. The Rev. Charles Gommer, pastor of Trucksville United Methodist Church, will officiate. Interment will be in Memorial Shrine Cemetery, Carverton.



MRS. J. MARK ROBINSON

Prince of Peace

women hold party

Women of Prince of Peace Church will hold their annual Christmas party at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 17, at the Parish Hall.

The Rev. John Prater will conduct the program which will be followed by exchange of comical gifts and entertainment.

Mr. Jack Miller and Mrs. Thomas Hillyer are in charge of refreshments. Mrs. Ben Edwards will preside over the business meeting.

couples club to hold party

The couples club of the Trinity United Presbyterian Church, Dallas, will hold its annual Christmas dinner at the church Friday, Dec. 19 at 6:30 p.m.

Reservations must be in by Dec. 13 and may be made by calling Mrs. Donald M. Johnson Jr., Mrs. Larry Stemm or Mrs. James McClain.

society of Friends have new location

The Religious Society of Friends relocated its religious services to Wyoming Seminary Day School, 1560 Wyoming Ave., Forty Fort, last Sunday.

Mrs. J. Mark Robinson, clerk of the meeting, welcomed those in attendance at Sunday School at 10:15. At meeting for worship, held in the Heritage Room at 11, members and attenders were present from five communities in Northeastern Pennsylvania.

Dallas brownies attend play

Brownie Troop 650 recently attended a performance of "The Princess and the Pea" at King's College. The group of girls was chaperoned by Mrs. Hans Dreher, leader; Mrs. Lloyd Warneka, assistant leader; Mrs. James Thomas, and Mrs. Clyde Davis.

In attendance were Sheri Ann Bango, Molly Brace, Marcia Davis, Susan Dreher, Martha Dick, Molly Elston, Peggy Elston, Kate Kale, Christine Kern, Gayle Kirk, Lori Lieb, Linda McDonald, Martha Shannon, Michelle Thomas and Lynn Warneka. Guests were Alison Davis, Steven Davis, Linda Dreher, Frances Dick and Tracy Thomas.

The troop is planning to go Christmas carolling within the next few weeks.

Durbin class plans covered dish

The Durbin Class of Dallas United Methodist Church will hold a covered dish supper Tuesday, Dec. 16 at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Robert Dickinson, Park Ave., Dallas.

Each member is requested to bring a place setting, a covered dish and a few Christmas cookies.

brownies to go carolling Dec. 19

Brownie Troop 650 will assemble Friday evening, Dec. 19 at 7 o'clock at the home of their leader, Mrs. Hans Dreher, Woodcliff Road, New Goss Manor, Dallas. The girls, dressed warmly for the occasion, will go Christmas carolling in that community.

Following their outing refreshments will be served to them by Mrs. Gerald Bango and Sheri Ann Bango, a member of the troop, at their home on Grandview Avenue, New Goss Manor, Dallas.

Crinnion named to dean's list

Edward Crinnion Jr., Valley View Drive, Dallas, received word last week that he has been named to the dean's list at Belknap College, Center Harbor, N.H.

Edward is a senior at Belknap, majoring in mathematics.

Area Churches

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