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Any One in the Market for Real Estate Can be Accommodated by Seeing J. E. Schroll, Mount Joy

THREE CONFESS TO COUNTY ROBBERIES

THE THIEVES WHO OPERATED HERE LAST MONDAY NIGHT WERE CAUGHT THRU ALBERT H. STUMPF, OF THIS PLACE

Solution of the robberies, which have been terrorizing many communities in Lancaster county during the past three weeks, was found Saturday night, when William C. Brown, aged 34, of Breckenman Court, and Joseph Schurter, aged 16, of "just nowhere," and William Horn, of Lancaster, were arrested by members of Troop E., State Police, Constable Herbert Steigewalt and the local police department. The trio confessed to their complicity in the robberies, making a clean statement to the effect that they are the guilty parties.

Confess Many Robberies
Written confessions of the many robberies were made to the State Police, after the thieves had been warned that they would be used against them at Court trial. The series of robberies at Landisville, Christiansa, Millersville, Strasburg, Mountville, Manheim and Mount Joy several in Lancaster city within the past ten days were confessed to by both Brown and young Schurter.

Making Lancaster their headquarters, they would sally forth at night, sometimes taking a trolley car to their destination, other times hiking miles to the point and back. Each time "Bill," the older man, who has a criminal record of more than eight years, he serving time in the Lancaster county prison for robberies, and a term of nearly five years in the Eastern penitentiary for robbery of the Sourbeer grocery, on West King street, would enter the stores, post-offices and dwellings, with Schurter standing watch outside. When extra difficulty was encountered the boy was called in and assisted in the robberies and the breaking open of the safes.

Several of the safes, which have been broken, show evidence of very clever work, attributed to Schurter. In these terse terms, "I just opened it, that's all."

Brown, a man of low mentality, shifted uneasily as he told his tale of the robberies. "Me and the kid planned the robberies and it was 'fifty-fifty.' I never 'done' him out of a penny. Every time, we divided equally. We promised not to tell on each other, and we didn't."

When questioned about his criminal record, Brown asserted with no hesitation: "Sure I was in the 'pen.' I'll tell you one thing though. When I went there, I didn't know much, but believe me, when I came out I was full-flagged. What you don't know when you go in, you soon learn from the fellers around you."

Police On Their Trail
From the first time that the depredations started in the county boroughs, officers were quietly on the trail of the two main robbers. Constable Steigewalt and State Police worked on several tips. Finally the right tip came from ex-Sheriff Stumpf, of Mount Joy, who said he saw Brown in Mount Joy. He knew him of old. Constable Steigewalt was told of the fact and this, with other evidence that he gathered, was sufficient to fix the crimes on Brown and Schurter.

Both Brown and Schurter were heard before Alderman Heinitch Monday afternoon at 1:30 on the Mount Joy charges. Both were returned to Court on the charges. Schurter will be sent to the Reformatory, while Brown will stand trial on the many charges. His criminal record extends back as far as 1904. He was sentenced in 1914 for not less than four and not more than 11 years for the Sourbeer robbery. He was paroled recently, and will serve the balance of the sentence when he is sentenced. District Attorney Sumner V. Hosterman has taken charge of the indictments and will press the charges.

Schurter's Confession
The signed confession of Schurter is as follows: "The first time I ever robbed any place was at East Petersburg. I was then living out at the home of Anna Soim, 825 East Marion street, Lancaster, Penna., and I used to meet Bill Brown there Sunday. This night of the robbery Bill Brown got on the street car at Lemon and Duke streets and I got on at Walnut and Duke, at the Hamilton Apartments. "We went as far as Manheim, then got off the car and walked back to East Petersburg and we went to the grocery store. The window had a screen in. We took the screen out and Bill went in, and I stayed outside. Bill stayed in the store about five minutes, then I thought I heard some noise in the garage, and I called out and we started to walk back. We walked for the trolley tracks as far as the little station then returned the money. Bill gave me \$25 and he kept \$3.50, then we went home and got home about 5 o'clock in the morning. The next place we went was on the trolley to Landisville. I started out with the trolley and when we

NO RESTRICTIONS ON SALE OF CIDER

The restrictions on the sale of cider—sweet and hard—have been lifted by the Revenue Department and regardless of its alcoholic contents it may be sold from door to door freely. Thus long-suffering, law restricted lovers of "bubble" water may quench their thirst unhampered.

Here is the ruling sent out by the Revenue Department. Its every line contains comfort and joy. A drink that has punch can now be secured. "Cider is not a vinous liquor within the meaning of the act of November 21, 1918, and it is not necessary for the Internal Revenue officers to report to the Department of Justice instances of its manufacture or sale."

"Cider put upon the market and sold as wine must be taxed. Cider is not really wine and if it is not so put up and sold as wine it is not subject to the wine tax, regardless of the amount of alcohol it contains or its intoxicating qualities. The only tax that applies is the tax on soft drinks imposed under the revenue act of 1918."

The sale of cider from door to door, and along the curb market can now go on without restraint. "Regardless of its alcoholic contents or its intoxicating qualities it can be sold" are words that mean much to the seeker after a substitute for 2.75 beer and spirituous liquors which are completely banned.

It is safe to predict that the manufacture of cider will increase a hundredfold in Lancaster county, and many old jugs, which were cast aside will be unearthed and filled to the brim.

MONTHLY REPORT OF THE MILTON GROVE HIGH SCHOOL

The averages of the three classes, for the month of October, of the Milton Grove High School are as follows:

Senior Class—Christian Young 97.3, Mary Rissler 97.1, Nora Eby 97.1, Ruth Fisher 96.2, Emmert Meyer 94.7, Christian Stern 89, Orlean Greiner 88.

Junior Class—Amos Stauffer 96, Gertrude Young 95, Paul Hess 93.4, Louisa Thome 93, Lizzie Stern 93, Paul Earhart 92, Charles Koser 91, Clayton Young 90, Isaac Bomberger 86, Mary Koser.

Freshman Class—Myra Hess 96, Jacob Forry, 96, Almada Rissler 96, Paul Esheleman 95, John Brandt 94, Susan Engle 93, Ruth Wolgemuth 93, David Koener 91.5, Christian Rissler 89, Rhoda Ginder 89, Mary Brandt 88, Lloyda Rissler 85, Ezra Hess 85, Roscoe Thome 75.

The school is in good working condition and visitors are always welcome. Charles G. Becker, Prin.

Pastor's Reception

In the U. B. Church last evening a public reception was given to the pastor, Rev. C. A. Snavely and family. A splendid program of music and recitations was rendered. Also addresses by representatives of the different organizations of the Church. A fine basket of sixteen beautiful chrysanthemums, one for each year of Rev. Snavely's ministry, was presented to him. Also a large basket of a fine assortment of fruit was presented to Mrs. Snavely. The pastor and wife both responded very happily and appropriately. Refreshments were served to all of the very large number present.

Farm Women Met

The Farm Women's monthly meeting was held at the home of S. N. Becker, near Mastersonville, on Saturday, Dr. Witmer, superintendent of public health of Pennsylvania, delivered an address on public health. The meeting was well attended.

Getting Ready for Deer

The Mount Joy hunting club has sent to Franklin County by auto truck all the material for a hunters' hut 14 by 20 feet in size, to be used during the deer season. Everything is cut to size, ready for nailing together.

New Presiding Elder

Sunday, Nov. 16, Rev. A. E. Hangen the newly elected presiding Elder of the Evangelical church will be here and preach and also have communion in the United Evangelical church. Come everybody is welcome.

THE DOINGS AROUND FLORIN

ALL THE UP-TO-DATE HAPPENINGS FROM THAT THRIVING AND BUSY VILLAGE

Mrs. Louisa Brandt and Mrs. Jacob Grogg of Mount Joy Sunday at Mr. Joseph Heisey's.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gish, son Edwin and Dr. and Mrs. Bryson, of Lancaster, spent Sunday in our village. Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Esheleman, of near Rheems, Rev. Jno. Zook and wife of Palmyra, were Sunday visitors to Mr. Monroe Forney and family.

Mrs. George Stoll and son Merritt of the Capitol City, Mrs. Amanda Gish of Elizabethtown, were Saturday and Sunday visitors to Mrs. Barbara Hostetter.

The following persons from town accompanied the excursion to Philadelphia on Sunday: Mrs. Jno. Wachstetter, Mrs. Jno. Dyer, Mrs. Ephraim Arndt and daughter, Miss Mary and Miss Miriam Guhl.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob H. Hershey held a family reunion at their home on Saturday with the following relatives and friends present: Mr. and Mrs. Ephraim Hershey, of Maytown, Mrs. Amanda Gish, Mr. Harry Smeltzer and daughter Mildred of Harrisburg, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Hershey and daughters Helen and Jene of Elizabethtown, Mr. and Mrs. Abram Shenk of Mastersonville, Mr. and Mrs. Christian Hershey, daughters Alveta and Elizabeth and son, Paul of near Florin, Mr. and Mrs. P. N. Hershey and two children Gladys and Harold of Lebanon, Mr. Eli N. Hershey, wife and daughter Arlene and son, Wilbur, of Harrisburg, Miss Catharine Sanders, Mr. Floyd Mort, of near Maytown, Mr. and Mrs. Engle Hershey, of Harrisburg and Mrs. Paul Buell. All present had a very enjoyable time.

Kaylor—Shelley
Paul Kaylor, son of Rev. and Mrs. Hiram Kaylor, of near Rheems, and Miss Ada Shelley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Shelley, of Dauphin County, were united in marriage on Thursday morning at 10:15 o'clock at the home of the bride, by Rev. Samuel Witmer. They were attended by Miss Mary Hummert, Mr. and Mrs. John G. Esheleman, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Esheleman, Mr. Harry Shelley, Mabel and Raymond Kaylor, Martha Shearer, Laura Hoeyser, Earl Esheleman, Paul Snyder, Hoffer Rissler, Fannie Gingrich, Violet Baker, Roy Baker, Miriam Hoffer, Sarah Gingrich, Rebecca Sensesman, Anna Eckroth, Susie Nissley, Ada Bricker, Raymond Rissler, Abram Nissley, Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Nissley, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Kaylor, Emma and Della Esheleman, Naomi Witmer, Katie Brubaker, Emma Entlerine, Edna and Anna Entlerine, Reta and Katie Brubaker, Esther Herr, Ada Coble, Ada Rissler, Helen and Elsie Brubaker, Katie Baker, Mrs. Joseph Rissler, Lydia and Agnes Gibble. The ushers were Clarence Herr and Samuel Rissler.

Local Doings in Real Estate
A 2 1/2 acre tract of land located near Landisville was sold at private sale to John D. Hershey, for \$2,300. Levi Nissley sold his home on West High street, Elizabethtown, to Jno. B. Bradley of Mastersonville, on private terms.

The property of Henry Gamber, deceased, at East Petersburg, was also sold on Saturday afternoon at private sale to Emanuel Gochnauer for \$2,600.

A tract of land containing about 8 acres belonging to Henry M. Fryer a few miles north of Manheim, was sold to Samuel Shepp, of Landisville, for \$1,700.

Harold Fehr sold his farm of 6 acres near Mastersonville to Uria's Kline for \$85 per acre. The farm adjoins the one on which Mr. Kline now lives and owns.

Andrew Reed of Anchor, purchased the Jacob B. Shearer farm of 54 acres situated about 4 miles northeast of Elizabethtown, for \$3,500, which he will occupy shortly.

The farm of Martin Shearer near Aberdeen, was sold at public sale, to Samuel Gish of West Donegal township, Lancaster county. The farm consists of 134 acres and was sold for \$70 an acre, making \$9,380.

On Saturday at public sale, Henry Kopy, of East Petersburg, sold his blacksmith stand and dwelling house to Elam Nolt, of Neffsville, for \$3,200. Mr. Nolt's son, Sylvester with his family will occupy the place on April 1, 1920.

On Saturday realtor Jno. E. Schroll sold the beautiful bungalow of Mrs. Sarah I. Cox at Florin, to Mr. George Althouse, of Radnor, Pa., the newly appointed freight agent of the Penna. R. R. in this place. The purchaser will move there April 1st. The terms of sale were private.

Last evening Auctioneer C. S. Frank sold at public sale for Frank Zeager, trustee in the estate of Margaret Bopp, the frame house on West Main street now occupied by Harry W. Garber. It was bought by Jacob G. Brown for \$2,540.00. The purchaser will move there in the Spring.

At the same time five shares of Union National Mount Joy Bank stock were sold to Phares Brandt for \$132.75.

FIRE COMPANY HELD INTERESTING MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of Friendship Fire Company was held last Thursday evening. There was very good attendance and an important question, more modern fire fighting apparatus, was discussed. Finally it was decided to appoint a committee of ten, who shall devise some means of raising money. While it was not definitely decided, the consensus of opinions prevailed that the company may buy a chemical truck.

A Young Army

The number of gunners' licenses issued to date is 13,002 and that number is 1,640 more than were issued in 1918. The expectation is that 14,000 will be reached before the close of the season. If they don't stop ere long the rabbits won't reach as we doubt whether there is one for each hunter thus far.

Tuesday Instead of Friday

Messrs. J. B. Keller & Bro. will hold their next public sale of live stock at their yards here on Tuesday, Nov. 18, when they will sell 80 head of New York State, Erie and Lancaster County cows, heifers and bulls. Also a lot of stock steers and cattle for beefves. Sale starts at 1:25 sharp.

On a Hunting Trip

Dr. A. F. Snyder and family, accompanied by George Groff, left on Sunday for the home of the doctor's parents in the Pocono Mountains, where they will hunt for several days.

Will Give a Play

The St. Mary's Chapel of this place will give a play in the Mount Joy Hall on Tuesday evening, Nov. 18, 1919, entitled "Diamonds and Hearts." Tickets are 11¢ and 25¢. Friday at 7 P. M. E. W. Garber's Drug Store.

FATHER AND SON DAY IN UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH

Father and Son Day will be observed in the United Brethren church on Sunday, Nov. 16th. Everybody is most cordially invited to attend and witness the rendition of the following program:

Song; Scripture, Earl Myers; Prayer, Harold Harmon; Song; Birthday Offering; Song; Lesson; Selection by Orchestra; Young Men's Quartette; Report by President Loyal Sons Class; Recitation by Ellis Fellenbaum; Greetings from Sisterhood, Crusaders, We Sisters, Good Cheer Class and Win One Class; Song; What We Owe to the Sunday School, John Booth; Address, Rev. Snavely; Offering and Announcements; Song; Benediction. The officers for the Rally of Father and Son Day in the Sunday School are: Superintendent, Earl Myers; Chorister, Warren Bentzel; Librarian, Lloyd Myers; Pianist, Jno. Booth; Secretary, Clarence Grisinger.

OUR WEEKLY CARD BASKET

PERSONAL MENTION ABOUT THE MANY COMERS AND DOERS IN THIS LOCALITY

Mr. Reuben Shellenberger spent Sunday at Philadelphia.

Mrs. John Stauffer, of this place, spent Sunday at Manheim.

Miss Eunice Herr spent Sunday at Elizabethtown, visiting friends.

Miss Frances Garber spent Sunday visiting friends at Elizabethtown.

Miss Natha Good spent several days at Philadelphia last week.

Miss Nedra Kaylor is spending a week with Thomas Bretz's at Middletown.

Miss Frances Childs spent some time in Columbia, visiting her brother.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lieberher spent Sunday at Philadelphia, visiting friends.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. Souders of Harrisburg, visited relatives here over the week-end.

Mrs. Mary Zink and daughter Frances spent Saturday with her son Harvey at Rapho.

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Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Wealand and son John are spending some time in Philadelphia with friends and relatives.

Mrs. Chas. H. Dillinger and two daughters Maude and Elsie spent Saturday at Elizabethtown with friends.

CHARLES A. GREIDER WAS ELECTED PRESIDENT

The Lancaster County Directors' Association met at Millersville last Thursday and the meeting was very well attended. A feature on the afternoon program was an address by Superintendent Lee L. Driver, of Randolph County, Indiana. The High School here furnished music for the occasion and the numbers were well received. The newly-elected Chairman, Chas. A. Greider, a successful Rapho township farmer, delivered a brief inaugural address, in which he stated that he considers the honor conferred upon him the greatest he has ever enjoyed. He pledged himself to labor faithfully in the interest of education. The president, in appointing his committees for the ensuing year, named these men from our locality: Amos F. Eby, of East Donegal; Elias Nolt, of West Hempfield; and Elmer W. Strickler, of Mount Joy township were named as members of the Executive committee. Hon. M. R. Hoffman, of East Donegal, is on the Legislation committee and Dr. J. J. Newpher of this place, is one of the Delegates to the State convention.

THE ELECTION IN THE TOWNSHIPS

THE RESULT OF LAST WEEK'S BATTLE OF BALLOTS THROUGH THE RURAL DISTRICTS

Following is the vote polled in all the townships surrounding Mount Joy Boro:

CONOY
Judge of Elections—Ross Ashton, R., 141. Inspector of Elections—William H. Hackenberger, R., 139; John F. Wile, D., 15. Constable—William S. Bryan, R., 139; D., 16. Assessor—C. E. Goss, R., 141. School Directors—B. F. Hoffman, R., 138; I. Scott Smith, R., 136; William Wise, D., 19. Supervisor—Monroe Smith, R., 141; D., 14. Township Auditors—R. A. Hummel, 6 years, R., 140; Harry Brandt, 2 years, R., 138; Amos Charles, 6 years, D., 16.

DONEGAL, WEST
Judge of Elections—Harry J. Gish, R., 106. Inspector of Elections—William Chapman, Jr., R., 100; Aaron Becker, D., 16. Constable—Morris G. Reem, R., 104. Assessor—Harry S. Ober, R., 100; William H. Wade, D., 16. School Directors—Phares K. Landis, R., 99; Jacob S. Shearer, R., 97; Reuben K. Becker, D., 19; Horace T. Will, D., 16. Supervisor—John S. Foreman, R., 96; A. E. Winters, 18. Township Auditor—William H. Snyder, R., 99; Frank Sweeney, D., 15.

RAPHO
Newtown District—Judge of Elections—William Fogie, R., 17; Daniel Moore, D., 22. Inspector of Elections—Emanuel H. Myers, R., 28; D., 5; Jacob Mumma, 4. Constable—Milton H. Kauffman, R., 31; D., 4. Assessor—J. S. Brad- (Continued on Page 5)

FARM PRODUCTS CO. HOLD BIG MEETING

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Mount Joy Farm Products Company was held in Mt. Joy Hall yesterday afternoon with a very good attendance. The reports of the various officers was heard.

The president reported that the company packed 1,471 cases of tobacco or 550,000 pounds. This represented 44 lots of 76 different growers. Six hundred cases were recently sold at from 20 to 23 1/2 cents a pound.

The following directors were elected for the ensuing year: Messrs. Elmer W. Strickler, Jno. G. Reist, Amos F. Eby, Samuel E. Garber, Monroe Metzler, and J. Clarence Reist.

The directors then organized as follows: President, Elmer W. Strickler; Vice President, Jno. G. Reist; Treasurer, Amos F. Eby; Secretary, J. Clarence Reist.

The announcement was then made that a ten per cent. dividend had been declared and also a rebate of one-half cent a pound to all patrons.

SALUNGA FIRE COMPANY HAS ANNUAL ELECTION

At the regular monthly meeting of the Salunga Fire Company, Monday evening, officers were elected as follows: President, Samuel Ely; first vice president, W. S. Peifer; second vice president, Howard Peifer; treasurer, S. H. Heistand; secretary, N. N. Baer; trustees, Dr. J. S. Kendig and R. D. Raffensberger, three years; Q. O. Reitzel and P. S. Metzler, two years; John Hamilton and Aston, one year; fire chief, William Cooper; assistant, Ed. Myers, Jr.; chief engineer, Ralph Myers; assistant, B. F. Kendig.

Weber—Hockenberry
Miss Esther Helen Weber, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Weber, on West Donegal street, and James Hockenberry, of near Blaine, Perry County, were united in marriage at New Bloomfield last Thursday. They are spending a week with the groom's parents after which they will return to this place. Mr. Hockenberry is employed on the farm of Mr. Chas. Berrier, north of town. The bride is very well known here and the new wedded couple have the best wishes of a host of friends.

Deeds Recorded
William E. Detwiler to John Roth, lot of ground in Mount Joy, \$225.

Zenas H. Esheleman to Henry B. Kaegel, property in East Donegal, \$3,500.

Elizabeth J. Miller to A. A. Witmeyer, 43 acres of land in Rapho township, \$1.

Irwin W. Heisey to Aaron R. Greiner, 11 acres and 112 perches of timber land in Mount Joy township.

Ream's Next Sale
On Saturday, Nov. 22, Mr. Ed. Ream will hold his cleaning up sale when every horse offered will be sold. He has a carload of Ohio and Indiana horses and colts, all ages, size, etc., in fact a horse or colt for everybody. Don't fail to come sale at 1:30 p. m.

Siegrist—Forry
Clarence H. Siegrist, of West Hempfield township and Miss Mary B. Forrey, of Rapho township, were united in marriage by Rev. N. N. Lower, pastor of the Kinderhook U. E. Church, at his residence, Columbia.

Frank & Bros Next Sale
Messrs. C. S. Frank & Bro. will hold their next sale of Potter and Tigra Co. cows, mostly Holsteins; also heifers, stock bulls, steers, cattle for beefves and a lot of home-raised shoats, at the stockyards of the Florin hotel, on Friday, Nov. 14.

Joe Wants His Money
Joseph R. Gibbs, of Mastersonville, has brought suit against John W. Geib for three and one-half months' wages, and has attached one pair of mules and several cows.

Marriage License
A marriage license was issued by the county clerk to

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