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He's Quite Active at Seventy-Nine

MR. EPHRAIM F. BAKER OF THIS PLACE IS CELEBRATING HIS 79th BIRTHDAY TO-DAY

Just seventy-nine years ago to-day, our veteran townsman and business man, Mr. Ephraim F. Baker first saw the light of day on the homestead farm in Rapho township near Hossler's church. He was the son of the late Frederick Baker and was born on the farm now occupied by Mr. Amos Shearer.

He was reared in that section and in 1865 he was married to Miss Lydia Hollinger of East Donegal township. Three sons were born to this union: Henry, of Lebanon; Aaron, of Lancaster and Frederick H., local coal and lumber dealer. Mrs. Baker died in 1879 and in 1882 he was married to Miss Anna Felker, daughter of Samuel Felker, of Rapho township.

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Native Found Dead at York Monday

AUTHORITIES ARE INVESTIGATING IF RICHARD HEILIG COMMITTED SUICIDE OR WAS MURDERED

This community was shocked Monday to learn of the sudden and mysterious death of a former resident of this place, Richard K. Heilig. The story sent out from York follows:

Returning after a visit to friends in Columbia, Mrs. Martha Klepper, 130 West Princess street, York, Monday morning found a dead man in her gas-filled apartment.

The dead man, Richard K. Heilig, aged 77, was a friend of the woman. Police are trying to ascertain whether he committed suicide, or whether he was murdered and the body placed in such a position on the floor with the gas tube in his mouth as to divert investigation of the circumstances surrounding the aged man's death. He was known to carry a sum of money in a "little red book on his person", according to relatives.

In view of the fact that this money was missing, and that he was in excellent spirits shortly before his death, when he made a purchase in a nearby cigar store, police expect to disclose some interesting developments soon.

The remains were brought here for interment today.

Deceased, when a resident of this place, resided on North Barbara street. He is the father of Cyrus and Benjamin Heilig, who conducted a tea and coffee store here for several years. They are now in business at York. Several daughters also survive.

An Old Fashioned Supper The Ladies' Aid Society of the Lutheran Church will hold an old fashioned sour kraut and baked bean supper at the home of Mrs. Chas. Ricksecker February 28th. They will also serve mashed potatoes, doggie sandwiches, pies cakes, coffee and ice cream. Supper will be ready to serve at five o'clock.

Monday Night's Games In the High School gym on Monday evening the Mount Joy A. A. will play the Keenan Catholic Club, of Lancaster. As a preliminary the Mount Joy Girls will play Hershey Girls.

MRS. HARRY KAYLOR WAS HOSTESS TO CHURCH MEMBERS

The K. L. C. Society of the Evangelical church held their annual social evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kaylor, on West Main street. The meeting was opened by the president, Earl Kaylor, with scripture reading and prayer; song; selection, by Girls' Chorus; exercise; Mildred Kaylor and Bernice Geistweitz; address, by Rev. Ferguson and Samuel F. Eshleman. Games were played and Bible questions answered. Luncheon was served to the following: Mrs. Irvin Geistweitz, Mrs. Charles Sheaffer, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Morton, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Myers, Mrs. Alexander Kramer, Mrs. Fred Lieberher and sons, Fred and Kenneth; Kathryn Seaman, Mildred Geistweitz, Ruth, Hazel, Almada, Mildred, and Nedra Kaylor, Bernice Geistweitz, Mrs. John Way, Samuel F. Eshleman, Rev. and Mrs. J. D. Ferguson, and son William, and daughter, Catherine, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Kaylor and sons, Howard, Lester, and Cletus, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kaylor, Mrs. David W. Strayer, Mrs. Charles Sheaffer and Mrs. Emma Sheaffer.

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Township Roads and Maintenance

WOULD ABOLISH OFFICE OF TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR AND HAVE STATE CARE FOR ALL ROADS

Abolition of the office of township supervisor and shifting entire responsibility of road building and maintenance to the State, was urged by Walter R. Linn, of Montgomery county, at the meeting of the Township Supervisors Association of Pennsylvania, held in Harrisburg last week. Mr. Linn appeared as a speaker on the program to discuss "Township Finances."

The township board system is a failure, he said, first because the requirements have grown beyond the material available for the job. The elimination of waste and lost motion through a centralization of this kind, Mr. Linn said, would ultimately result in lowering road taxes or at least give better highways and would assure every township that it was getting the kind of roads to which its population and the nature of its traffic called for.

Closer relations between the supervisors and State Highway Department were urged by the speaker. This would give the smaller districts the opportunity of soliciting the assistance of the State and county engineers on road building projects. Every effort should be made, Mr. Linn told the supervisors, to cut down the mileage of roads on the township plan, by having the county and State take title to through roads, and by eliminating such by-ways and lanes as cannot be proved essential.

A revision of the present method of tax collections also was urged and Mr. Linn made the suggestion that townships should receive a portion of the automobile license fees of the cars owned in the district. Secretary of Highways Paul D. Wright addressed the convention next morning and talked on the relations of the department and supervisors in the State Reward plan.

"The Wrong Mr. Wright" St. Luke's Musical and Dramatic Club have secured special permission from Samuel French of New York to produce George Broadhurst's original comedy, "The Wrong Mr. Wright." The performances will be given in the Mount Joy Hall on Monday, February 25th, and on Wednesday, February 27th. The plan for the sale of reserved seats will open for both performances on Friday, the 22nd, at the usual hour.

It is said that Mr. Broadhurst has written nothing better than "The Wrong Mr. Wright." It is full of action and humorous situations. If you cannot enjoy a good laugh, do not go to see "The Wrong Mr. Wright."

Will Rebuild Barn On the farm of M. Barton, in East Donegal, men are at work having a number of the large trees to use the wood in rebuilding the barn destroyed by fire a number of months ago. The barn will be rebuilt by Bard, the contractor, of Ironville, and it will be enlarged considerably.

He's Quite An Artist Mr. Clarence Bleyer, of this place who is employed at George Brown Sons Mills, sure has the talent of an artist. During his spare moments he takes a delight in drawing. His reproduction of Shirley Mason which may be seen in our window is one of the best we have seen, although done by an amateur.

Must Go To Jail S. S. Noll, garage owner, of Akron, convicted in January Court of burning his garage and contents with intent to defraud, was refused a new trial and was sentenced to 42 months in our county jail.

Charges Non-Support Mrs. Beulah Kempf, of East Petersburg, has brought suit against her husband, Charles W. Kempf of Lancaster, on a non-support charge.

Play at Lancaster On Saturday, February 23rd, the Mount Joy Girls will journey to Lancaster and play the Blue Bird team on the St. Anthony floor.

Next Community Sale The Community Sales Co. will hold its next public sale at Florin on Saturday, Feb. 23rd. General line of merchandise, farm implements and household goods.

Was Appointed Auditor. Mr. Amos W. Nissley was appointed an auditor for Rapho township by the court last Saturday.

20,000 COTTONTAILS ARE COMING TO THIS STATE

Twenty thousand live cottontail rabbits from the plains of central Kansas are to be shipped this winter to the state of Pennsylvania for restocking this commonwealth. Already more than 7,000 of the bunnies have gone forward by fast express, almost a full carload being shipped in one day.

Koon C. Beck, an animal dealer of Hutchinson, Kansas has contracted with the Pennsylvania Game Commission to furnish them the rabbits, having carried out similar contracts with the board in other years. He buys the rabbits from farmers and farmers' boys who trap them, paying 25 to 35 cents each, according to the quantity delivered.

Rural Schools and Scholars

MANY OF THE BEST CITIZENS ARE PRODUCED IN THE RURAL ENVIRONMENT AND ITS SCHOOLS

(By H. Frank Eshleman) It is becoming tiresome to have so many of the higher educational officials of the State eternally croaking about the inferior education which rural children receive compared with that given to the city and other urban children.

We have a recent repetition of this lament in the address of Dr. Lee Driver at the annual meeting and conference of the Welfare Authorities of Pennsylvania at Wilkes Barre on the 14th of this month, where many professional educators gave their views. Driver criticized the rural directors for not engaging the best teachers and declared that rural boys and girls suffer from that policy. He said also that if there were better schools more boys and girls would stay on the farm.

These professionals ought to know that the masses of the rural population are heartily sick and disgusted with this kind of unfounded slant at country schools; and they ought to know also that the rural schools would do better work than they are doing today if they were not interrupted.

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Picked From Our Weekly Card Basket

PERSONAL MENTION ABOUT THE MANY COMERS AND GOERS IN THIS LOCALITY

Mr. Daisy Rentzel, of York, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Mame Kover.

William Hornafius and son, of Harrisburg, spent Sunday here visiting his parents.

LeRoy Bare and William Templeton, of Lititz, Pa., spent Sunday in town visiting friends.

Mr. F. S. Hogenobler, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday here with friends and acquaintances.

Mr. and Mrs. Curgan, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday in town with his father, Mr. Wesley Curgan.

Russel Schatz, of Elizabethtown, spent Sunday visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Schatz.

Harry Gantz, of Harrisburg, spent Saturday here as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Strickler.

Paul Shire and son, Ross, of Newtown, spent Sunday here as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hinkle, Jr. Elmer Young, of Philadelphia, spent several days here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Young.

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OUR BOARD OF HEALTH ELECTED OFFICERS FOR YEAR

Mount Joy Borough Board of Health at its meeting Monday night elected the following officers for the year: President, E. W. Bentzel; Vice-President, Dr. W. D. Chandler; Health Physician, Dr. W. M. Thome; Secretary, M. M. Leib. F. E. Hershey was elected Health Officer.

The Board, on motion, concluded to use the following method of calculating duration of quarantines for 1924: To continue quarantines for the required number of days from the date of onset, or, in other words, add to the date of onset the number of days quarantine is to run and the date found will be that on which quarantine may be raised.

Twenty-two cases of chicken pox were reported to Mount Joy Borough Board of Health between the 7th and 14th of February.

Dorcas Society Met. The Dorcas Society of the United Brethren church held their monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Walter Greiner on Monday evening.

Good Advice to Tobacco Growers

NUMEROUS BUYERS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY URGE MORE CAREFUL HANDLING OF CROP

A tobacco buyer who was talking about the careless handling of tobacco recently said that in buying in a certain section of this county when the crop was very fine he paid a variety of prices though the quality of the leaf was almost uniform. This created some dissatisfaction and he was taken to task about it. "One who made the most fuss," said the buyer wanted to see and I waited for him to go with me to one of the growers to whom I had paid the top price. The crop was almost all stripped. I had the dissatisfied grower look it over and he could not find a single leaf in the wrapper that was not perfect and the whole crop would need no sorting in the warehouse. It was ready to go in to the cases. He was willing to acknowledge that it was really worth the difference in the prices.

There was no doubt, entirely too many such cases in the county. One of the oldest buyers in this county says that growers generally do not handle their crops as well as they did years ago and in this they make a great mistake. A great deal of this, no doubt, is for the reason that in years gone by so many buyers never went out with the intention of buying at a certain figure and they bought it at certain figures regardless of quality or handling. This was a mistake and spoiled the growers.

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE MEN'S FEDERATION HERE

The next Men's Christian Federation meeting will be held in the Methodist Episcopal church Sunday afternoon, March 9, at 2:30, when Harry R. McKeen, of Pittsburgh, a noted lecturer, will be the speaker. Mr. McKeen is equipped with the vast store of knowledge which he has gained in his wide and varied experience. He will, in his straight, from-the-shoulder diagnosis, strike at the heart of whatever weakness or strength the community may have. He just recently addressed the Buffalo Kiwanis, which is the third largest in the United States. A fine program is now being arranged.

Purchased Herald Office. Mr. A. H. Seiler, of Selingsgrove, last week purchased the Herald job printing office here and has already taken charge. Mr. Seiler was engaged in the printing business at Middleburg and Swinford, Snyder Co., prior to coming here.

That's About The Limit Hudson Maxim, scientist and inventor, of New York, believes tea and coffee to be toxicants within the meaning of the Volstead act and threatens to bring suit to close cafes in which these beverages are served unless the enforcement authorities do something about it.

Local Man Honored Mr. C. C. Greider, on R. D. Mount Joy, was elected second vice president of the Township Supervisor's Association at the closing session of the Convention of the organization held at Harrisburg last Wednesday.

A Banquet and Party. The Sassy Susies entertained the Spark Plugs to a banquet and party in the local high school gymnasium on Saturday night, as the result of losing the subscription contest held in the school a few weeks ago.

Wants a Location. Mr. E. Lee Kline, of Lancaster, was in town last week looking for a site on Main street upon which to erect a modern moving picture theatre. Mr. Kline is the owner of the Strand theatre at Lancaster.

Tendered a Surprise A surprise party was given in honor of Mrs. Irvin Walters at her home on West Main street when her friends gathered at her home. A dainty luncheon was served.

Will Lecture Here On Thursday evening Rev. J. B. McClure, of Manheim, will give an illustrated lecture in the Evangelical church under the auspices of the Women's Missionary Society.

The Annual Report The annual report of the finances of Lancaster County as compiled by Enos E. Mowrer, controller, may be found in our advertising columns this week.

THE BOTTLE DIDN'T BURST NEGRO REGAINED LIQUOR

Stout bottles for moonshine are an asset, especially when a marauding force of dry agents invaded the domain of the follower of John Barleycorn. This was proved conclusively on Saturday when a raid was made at the Billmyer quarries.

While a crowd of sad eyed men looked on the authorities hauled the bottles down over the rocks to the depths of the pit many feet below. As they mourned sadly over the prospect of the "moonshine on the moonshine" spilled on the rocks below, a sharp eyed negro kept a lookout for a bottle which might by a miracle withstand the strain. As they rattled and crashed over the rocks below, he saw one, stouter than the rest, bounded merrily from ledge to ledge and wonder of wonders landed without scar or blemish in a pool of water below. Waiting patiently until the destroyer had passed on, the wily negro climbed carefully over the rocks and rescued the precious quart. As he climbed back to terra firma he muttered sadly, yet with a ray of hope-breaking through gloom, "This was a dear quart—it cost me nearly \$50."

General News for Quick Reading

INTERESTING HAPPENINGS FROM ALL OVER THE COUNTRY FOR THE BENEFIT OF BUSY PEOPLE

Electrician Jno. Dietz has purchased a Grey auto truck.

Mr. Charles Bennett is about again after a spell of sickness.

Miss Sarah Dillinger has accepted a position at the Shoe Factory.

York is contemplating holding a tobacco show in the near future.

Lancaster had two fires in the heart of the city within twelve hours.

Mrs. Harold Brown has accepted a position in the office at the Grey Iron Works.

Nineteen people from this vicinity were to Harrisburg on the P. R. R. excursion on Sunday.

Secretary of the Navy Edwin N. Denby resigned Monday and his resignation was accepted.

On Friday evening a sociable was held in the Sabbath school room of the First Presbyterian church.

Arthur Brown, who was taken ill some time ago and was confined to his home, is very much improved.

A carload of "cement" from Canada and shipped to New York was seized and found to be high power ale.

Emanuel Myers, of Newtown, returned home Friday from Lancaster General Hospital after a successful operation.

Our local Court No. 228, Foresters of America attended a banquet held by the Lancaster Court at Lancaster on Saturday night.

Columbia's Boro Council was compelled to make a temporary loan of \$1,000 to pay its monthly bills at the February meeting.

Hoffer Brothers, of Elizabethtown, have the contract for the erection of a new double house for Elmer Zerphney on Delta street, to be erected this winter.

W. E. Glatfelter, rural carrier of New Salem, York county, sold his horse to H. E. Aughenbaugh for one cent. He used the animal on his route for many years.

A WEDDING DINNER FOR MR. AND MRS. PHARES WHITE

A wedding dinner was given by Mr. and Mrs. Elmer White, on Sunday at their home north of town, in honor of their son, Phares, who was recently married to Miss Emma Troupe. The following guests were present: Mr. and Mrs. Phares White, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer White, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Zerphney, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Zerphney, Mr. Frank Sprout, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Zerphney, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Zerphney, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schwanger, Mr. and Mrs. Whyett Gainer, Misses Ada Sprout, Margie Brubaker, Alberta Sprout, Messrs. Paul Brubaker, Paul Ginder, Truman Sprout, and Harvey Zerphney. All those present greatly enjoyed the occasion.

THIS COUNTY LEADS IN THE GROWING OF CORN

Lancaster County led the state again last year in growing corn. The State Department of Agriculture announces. Our farmers raised 4,184,740 bushels, worth \$4,417,818 or an average of 91 cents a bushel. Just can't keep Good Old Lancaster County down.

If you want to succeed—Advertise. Subscribe for the Mt. Joy Bulletin.

Road We All Must Travel Sometime

MANY WELL KNOWN PEOPLE HAVE PASSED TO THE GREAT BEYOND

Noah K. Hall died at Columbia aged 63 years.

Lloyd W. Bartley died at Columbia aged 75 years.

Mrs. Jacob C. Reinhold, aged 42, fell down stairs at her home in Lancaster, fractured her skull and died.

Mrs. B. F. Lewis. Susan, widow of B. F. Lewis, formerly of Falpouth, died at the home of her daughter Mrs. Harry Pierce at Highland Place, Baltimore. The deceased lived at Falpouth until a year ago, and after the death of her husband went to Baltimore.

Andrew R. Lehman. Andrew R. Lehman, aged 65 years formerly of Salunga, died at two A. M. Saturday at his home in Oneco, Florida. The deceased is a retired railway mail clerk. He is survived by his wife and one daughter, Mrs. Gertrude Washburn, both of Oneco, Fla. The funeral was held in conformance with the Florida laws requiring the burial the day after the death.

George Sprowl. The body of George Sprowl was brought from Philadelphia to Bainbridge Monday and funeral services were held in the Ludwig M. E. Church. Interment was made in the Bainbridge cemetery. His mother, Mrs. Tacy Davis was a former resident of Bainbridge. The friends of the deceased were entertained at the home of John Fullerton during their stay in Bainbridge. Those who attended the funeral from Philadelphia were: Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Sprowl, Miss Iva Sprowl, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. William Sprowl, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Templer, Miss Helen Templer, John (Turn to page eight.)

Young Folks Are Joined in Wedlock

NUMBER OF VERY WELL KNOWN YOUNG FOLKS ARE JOINED IN THE HOLY BONDS OF MATHIMONY

Seitz-McKain. Miss Sarah McKain, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur McKain, West Marietta, and Horace Seitz, of Royaltown, were united in marriage by Squire S. B. Gramm, at his office last Wednesday.

White-Troupe. Mr. Phares S. White and Miss Margaret E. Troupe, both of this place, were married at Elizabethtown, Saturday, at the Church of God parsonage by the pastor, E. F. Yoder. The ring ceremony was used.

Butzer-Debra. Mr. and Mrs. Abram Butzer, of Rheems, announce the marriage of their daughter, at the parsonage of St. Mark's United Brethren church here on Saturday evening, when Miss Arvita M. Butzer and Mr. Banks W. Debra, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Debra, of Elizabethtown, were united in marriage by the pastor, Rev. Kiefer. The ceremony was witnessed by the bride's parents and Mrs. Kiefer.

LOBATA COUPLE ARE WEDDED FIFTY YEARS

Mr. and Mrs. Christian Demmy, of Lobata, celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary on Saturday, all of their grandchildren and great-grandchildren being present. A dinner was served. A large number of their neighbors were present and the happy couple received numerous gifts.

Births. Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. Schaeffer, of Lancaster, announce the birth of a son.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. King, of Conoy township, announce the birth of a son, Hershey William King.

Going to Ephrata Tonight. The Degree team of the General Cameron Council, No. 851, Fraternal Patriotic Americans will journey to Ephrata this evening where they will initiate a large class of new members.

Was A Success. The sociable held in the First Presbyterian church here on Friday evening by the members of the congregation was largely attended and a neat sum of money was realized.