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Review of Events in Washington County
Pennsylvania in 1938

JANUARY

- 1—Trio holds up Hollash service station near Morganza.
- 3—Sheriff M. B. Armstrong and Controller J. K. Smith begin terms as county officials. John H. Cooper begins second term as County Recorder.
- 3—A. M. Algeo, long associated with Hazel-Atlas Glass Company, dies in California. Mr. and Mrs. Chatham G. Matthews, Canonsburg R. D., celebrate 54th anniversary of marriage.
- 5—Charles A. Houseman, 81. Nottingham Township, fatally stricken while walking to visit friend.
- 4—Vocags of Trinity, Hickory and Clayville capture one-fourth of project prizes at State Farm Show, Harrisburg.
- 5—Announcement of resignation of Mrs. Benjamin Staggers from Mothers Assistance Fund staff. Anderson A. Caseber, Charleroi, retires after 36 years service with government.
- 7—New County Assistance Board organizes, electing Henry Sheaff, Canonsburg, chairman, and Robert Crawford, Richeyville, secretary. The Rev. J. Earl Hughes retires as pastor of Grove Church, West Middletown, to accept call to Evans City U. P. Church.
- 8—Guy Woodward celebrates 25th anniversary as auto dealer.
- 9—Mr. and Mrs. Jesse R. Edgar, of near Venetia, celebrate 70th anniversary of marriage. State, county and borough officers participate in gambling raids at Canonsburg, making many arrests.
- 10—Bentleyville awards two waterworks contracts.
- 11—Martin Sweitzer, 63, Washington, fatally stricken while at work. National banks of county reorganize. High School students at Centerville move into modern new building.
- 12—County salary board completes work. Mr. and Mrs. George P. Barnett, Chartiers Township, celebrate 50th wedding anniversary.
- 14—Commissioners, controllers and solicitors of seven southwestern Pennsylvania counties meet here. Fire destroys home, landmark, on Roy Herriott farm, Mt. Pleasant Township. Accidents claim lives of Edward Crouch, 53, Washington; Louis Skoff, 33, Charleroi, and David Jones, 30, Smithton.
- 16—Dr. John Campsey Knox, 59, Washington, dies.

17—Reu Cross Chapter elects David C. Morrow, Washington, county chairman. Bell Telephone Company honors five local employes who drive 100,000 miles without accident. Stop drilling at McBurney well, south of Hickory, after operations covering 22 months in effort to find Oriskany sand.

18—Dedicate fine new high school building at Centerville with Dr. Lester K. Ade, Superintendent of Public Instruction as speaker. Nancy M. Downer, Allenport, descendant of pioneer family, succumbs to hurts suffered when hit by coal truck. Chartiers Presbytery considers resignations of the Rev. John T. Brownlee, Peters Creek and the Rev. J. Earl Hughes, Grove U. P. General State Authority opens bids for Canonsburg Armory.

19—Mrs. Laura McCreary, 76, suffers fatal burns in home. Burgettstown, R. D. Five cemetery associations in Monongahela Valley announce ban on Sunday funerals.

20—Announce payment of last dividend of Farmers National Bank of Hickory, depositors receive 79.92 per cent. Washington Countians win honors at State Farm Show. Members Pennsylvania Sheep and Wool Growers Association elect J. Raymond Henderson, Hickory, president. Bentleyville begins to rush work on municipal waterworks. Bell Telephone Company announces plans for new \$85,000 plant at Burgettstown.

21—Washington County Supervisors at annual meeting go on record as opposing centralization of government. Peter Cherokee, Cecil, soccer star, suffers fatal injuries at Montour No. 4 Mine.

23—Robert Wayman nine, drowns in swimming pool in East Washington when ice gives way. Rescuers save William Hunt, nine.

24—Washington High School graduates mid-year class of 70 boys and girls. Officers investigate robbery at Vestaburg postoffice. Fire destroys barn on William Baily farm, near Blainesburg, and 30 head of livestock. James M. Smith, business man and war veteran, dies.

25—Cold wave grips district with 40-degree drop in temperature. J. W. Leonard, Washington, internationally famous as oil operator, dies. Washington Presbytery elects the Rev. C. S. Thomas, Hickory, moderator.

27—Ground is broken for two new buildings at Pennsylvania Training School, including 40-bed hospital. Men of Centerville form Community Club.

29—The Observer Publishing Company publishes annual business and financial review number. Unaware of hurts for 14 days, Mike Orlin, 16, Marianna, dies as result of being hit by truck.

31—Weekend highway accidents claim life of Anthony Bogdon, 52, Monongahela, R. D. 2. J. M. K. Donaldson, 95, dies at Hickory. Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Thistlethwaite, Centerville, celebrate 50th wedding anniversary.

FEBRUARY

2—Break ground for new Canonsburg Armory. Unusual weather causes butterflies and robins to appear instead of groundhogs. Forty-eighth annual Farmers' Institute opens at Canonsburg.

3—Members Washington-Greene Caravan elect L. M. Frye, Monongahela, president. NLRB opens hearing at Charleroi on charges against MacBeth plant, Corning Glass Company. Eight enter pleas of guilty to operating lottery.

5—Officers of 110th Infantry meet here.

6—Neighbor finds John E. Neely, Washington, missing a few days, dead in automobile, carbon monoxide gas victim. J. W. Donaldson, North Strabane Township, dies. Nick Psotatio, 22, Burgettstown, is killed when he grabs hold of electric wire. Broad Street Baptist Church holds memorial service for the Rev. S. L. Parcell, long pastor of congregation.

7—Canonsburg Chapter, Daughters of American Revolution, vote to accept Col. George Morgan monument. F. Willard McVay, head of Canonsburg schools for 50 years, announces retirement plans.

9—Flames destroy Hungarian Hall at Daisytown. Friends of William B. Ritchie, Washington, hold testimonial dinner for him on 40th anniversary of entry into undertaking business. Police arrest Ewing Bert Meek, 32, in death of John Dee York, war veteran, fatally hurt in beer parlor quarrel. Supervisors of Washington County, at annual convention, make "home rule" demands. General State Authority awards contracts for two buildings and annex at California State Teachers' College.

10—Bankhead Boyd Berry, 59, North Strabane, and Worth Wilson, 82, Fallowfield Township, die.

11—Fire destroys barn, contents and livestock on Thomas Brown farm, Cross Creek Township. Adrian Blayney, 68, Clayville, dies.

13—Several thousand persons attend ground breaking ceremony for new buildings at California State Teachers' College.

14—Revised Washington city budget calls for two-mill tax increase.

15—Hundreds of women attend Observer-Reporter Cooking School which opens for three days. Washington Central Labor Union launches "Buy American" campaign. William Isadore French, 78, McDonald, succumbs to accident hurts.

17—John Allen Ewing, 74, Spanish War veteran, dies suddenly.

19—Midway National Bank makes final payment to depositors of closed institution, making total of 91.32 per cent. Robbers slug Fred F. Pete, 44, W. & J. College music director, and rob him here.

22—Edward Williams, 61, former Washington barber, arrested as slayer of Nick Floros, Mercer County.

24—Public inspects new school buildings in Cecil Township at Muse and Cecil. Approximately 450 attend annual banquet of Pennsylvania State Fox Hunters' Association here.

23—J. William Paul becomes manager of Washington Ice Company. Burns received in red dog blast prove fatal to Jesse Howard, Jr., 19, Washington R. D. 1. The Rev. John Clark Laughlin, D.D., dies at Finleyville. Washington Council adopts budget calling for levy of 13 mills.

24—Joseph T. Martin, 87, widely known in Washington and Greene Counties, dies at home of son, Gen. Edward Martin.

27—Fire at California Service Station, Harry and Charles Delbarre, proprietors, causes loss of \$25,000. Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Hall Williams, member of old Washington family, dies.

MARCH

1—Grangers pass resolutions asking economy, opposing salary raises and urging greater care in selecting names for jury duty.

2—Jury convicts John Kelly, 22, Fredericktown, of second degree murder in death of James Tedesco. John O. Hasson completes 50 years of service with Hazel-Atlas Glass Company.

3—George V. Husted, long Washington resident, dies.

4—Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Frazee, McDonald, celebrate 59th anniversary of marriage.

5—George B. Sprowls, prominent business man and former state senator, celebrates 76th birthday. Effort to change rules of Democratic party and elect county chairman by precinct chairman fails in stormy meeting.

7—Miss Esther H. Strain, 87, Hanover Township, succumbs to burns suffered in home. State Police complete roundup of 11 young men in Cecil district for series of thefts. John G. Patterson, 93, 112 North College street, Washington, last colored veteran of Civil War in county dies.

8—County borrows \$50,000 to finance affairs until taxes are paid. Mrs. W. A. H. McIlvaine receives appointment to resolutions committee for 1938 national convention of D. A. R.

10—Officers leave for California state to bring back Ernest Ivan, wanted for Hollash service station robbery. Depositors of old Finleyville National Bank receive interest payment of 6.3 per cent, making total payments to depositors of 106.3 per cent. Complete work on new Smith building, northeast corner Main and Beau streets, first building in Washington in which glass blocks were used.

13—Samuel Harvey Craig, 63, former Washington man, died in apartment in Cameron.

14—Edward Williams, 61, former Washington barber, goes on trial in Mercer County as slayer of Nicholo Floros, tavern proprietor.

15—Grove U. P. congregation, West Middletown, extends call to the Rev. Walter Ralston. Washington Hospital becomes member of Hospital Service Association, sponsoring budgeted hospitalization.

16—Washington Council raises salary of policemen, ranging from \$60 to \$180 a year. Mercer County jury fixes death penalty for Edward Williams, formerly of Washington, in Mercer County murder trial.

18—Members of Tri-State Wool Growers Association open annual convention here.

19—Harry Mathewson, 40, Elco, suffers broken leg and other hurts in three-story fall at Roscoe. Tri-State Wool Growers Association adopts resolution against lowering tariff on wool.

21—Three men rob liquor store at Finleyville and escape with \$200. Legionnaires and other friends of Sheriff M. B. Armstrong honor him with banquet at Fredericktown.

22—Nephew discovers burned body of Ferdinand Shidler, 81, in home near Millsboro. I. O. O. F. Lodge, Avella, celebrates 25th anniversary.

23—Paul Slevanski, 103, Muse, probably oldest witness in history of county, testifies in case here.

24—Vocal students of Washington County High Schools hold annual contest at Donora. Police arrest two young Negroes and charge them with destroying valuable heirlooms in old Reed homestead, 123 East Maiden street. Andy Puskarich, 76, Manifold, suffers fatal injuries when struck by auto near Claysville. Complete work on giant new coal tippie at Ellsworth.

28—County commissioners fix tax levy at eight mills, a reduction of one mill.

29—C. F. Barr tenders resignation as principal of Burgettstown-Smith Township schools. Flames destroy John Fee home, Chartiers Township, with loss of \$4,000.

30—Virgilio Antonolo, Hickory, wins appointment to United States Military Academy.

APRIL

1—Governor Earle appoints Mrs. Dorothy Richey, Burgettstown, and Ira Nickerson, Charleroi, members of County Assistance Board. Miners of district celebrate Mitchell Day with parade, program at Charleroi. Mr. and Mrs. William H. Rush, of near Wylandville, round out 54 years of married life.

4—Four Canton Township boys arrested by State Police for hold-up of store of Mrs. Julia Kobosky, Baird avenue. Work of grading new athletic field for Hickory High School started. "Northwest Pioneers of 1938" arrive at Washington en route to celebration at Marietta, O. Bentleyville High wins county debating title.

4—John Delbosco, 19, of Penowa, shot and seriously wounded; father, Gildo Delbosco, held by State Police. J. King Chalfant died yesterday at home in Hickory. Edwin P. Brown, 59, of Monongahela, superintendent of County Children's Home, dies. Robbers carry off safe containing \$3,000 from A. & P. store in Main street, Washington. Florence Wright, 11, Marianna, fatally burned when clothing ignites.

5—Body of Arthur Rowland, 29, of Holidays Cove, W. Va., shot through head, found at roadside near Hanlin Station in Hanover Township. Fire destroys William F. Kline residence at Independence.

6—John Delbosco, Penowa, dies of gunshot wound.

7—Bentleyville High debating team defeats Carmichaels High for district championship. J. D. Patterson, 21, of Donora and companion, veteran fier, missing in airplane in Florida. Mrs. Agnes Hess Irwin, 63, Ginger Hill, dies after spilling scalding water on herself while washing.

8—Searchers find no trace of J. D. Patterson, missing Donora student flier and companion.

9—Milk producers of Maple Creek district near Charleroi oppose reciprocal trade agreements affecting dairy interests. Center-ville High band, three Charleroi High musical organizations advance to finals in state contest. Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Chalmers, McDonald, celebrate 50th wedding anniversary.

11—State discloses plans to relocate National Highway through Donegal Township. Friends congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Isaac T. Atkinson, aged 82 and 77, of the Finleyville-Library road, upon rounding out 58 years of married life. James N. Rule, 61, former Pennsylvania Superintendent of Public Instruction, dies in Washington Hospital.

12—J. L. Roberts, of North Charleroi, elected County Superintendent of Schools. Canonsburg School Board unanimously elects C. A. Mathewson as superintendent of Canonsburg schools.

13—William Bennett, 51, of Washington, falls under freight train in Washington and is killed. Dr. E. K. Maxfield elected president of Washington Rotary Club.

14—Pennsylvania Railroad engineer confers with County Commissioners on proposed new line from Washington to Hackney. William Fulton, well known Dunns Station merchant, and former postmaster and W. & W. ticket agent, dies. Washington Seminary celebrates 100th anniversary of founding.

15—Two thousand children take part in Washington Kiwanis Club egg roll at Washington Park.

16—Robert C. Cassidy, prominent Burgettstown citizen, celebrates 79th birthday. Dogs kill 42 sheep on David Rees farm at Venetia.

18—Gifford Pinchot, candidate for governor, speaks in Washington. Washington County Motor Club elects Judge Howard W. Hughes president.

19—Dogs kill eight more sheep on David Rees farm at Venetia. The Rev. A. A. Blake announced he will end pastorate at Claysville Baptist Church April 24.

20—County Federation of Women's Clubs adopts resolutions criticizing drinking scenes in movies and citing danger in use of marihuana. Washington City Council passes ordinance providing "free" garbage collection.

21—Joe Markosky, 45, Lincoln Hill, dies of injuries received in automobile accident.

22—Joe T. S. Cowen, owner of

the Roscoe Ledger, dies. William T. Lyle, Jr., 46, of Taylorstown, falls to death from oil derrick. Edward S. France, Monongahela's last Civil War veteran, celebrates 93rd birthday. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph P. Hennen, Claysville, celebrate 50th wedding anniversary.

23—County Assistance Board elects Henry A. Sheaff, Canonsburg, as chairman. Two Pittsburgh men arrested for theft of safe containing \$3,000 from A. & P. store in Washington. One hundred employees of George Washington Hotel go on strike. Fire destroys parsonage of Dutch Fork Christian Church in Donegal Township.

25—Lieutenant Governor Thomas Kennedy, candidate for governor, speaks in county. Moses L. Cooke, 88, prominent Smith Township farmer, dies. District oil men protest burdensome taxes upon oil industry.

26—Citizens Water Company starts work of extending water lines to McGovern and Meadowlands. Judge James, Republican candidate for governor, and Mayor Davis Wilson, of Philadelphia, Democratic candidate for U. S. Senator, speak in county.

27—Canonsburg citizens give testimonial banquet to F. W. McVay, retiring as superintendent of Canonsburg schools.

28—Gildo Delbosco indicted for murder of son, John, at Penowa. Fire destroys huge tippie of Carnegie Coal Company mine at McDonald; damage \$75,000.

29—Body of unidentified woman found in Monongahela River at Riverview. Washington High School crowns Miss Helen Baumgardner as May Queen.

30—Junior Chytil, 13, of Houston, wins Washington-Greene Counties marble championship. Woman found dead in Monongahela River identified as Mrs. Hazel Jones, 42, of Pittsburgh.

MAY

2—Canonsburg School Board elects Robert J. O'Connell high school principal to succeed C. A. Mathewson, who was named superintendent of schools there to succeed F. W. McVay, retired. Gildo Delbosco, Penobscot Mine, goes on trial for murder of son, John Delbosco.

3—Gildo Delbosco pleads guilty to voluntary manslaughter in slaying of son. Governor Earle, candidate for U. S. Senate, carries campaign into County. King's Daughters of State hold 43rd annual convention in Washington.

4—Judge Carl E. Gibson criticizes law enforcement in Fredericktown district in sentencing John Kelly, Fredericktown, to serve from 7½ to 15 years in penitentiary for murder of James Tedesco. Washington City Council opens bids for municipal garbage hauling.

5—Speers Borough arranges to vote on \$16,000 bond issue for laying water lines. Washington School Board announces tax levy will remain unchanged at 15 mills. Harry L. Tennyson elected superintendent of schools in Burgettstown and Smith Township.

6—William N. Brightwell, 41, Washington, widely known World War veteran, drops dead on baseball diamond.

7—More than 330 County members of School Boy Patrol return after visit to national capital.

9—Dividends of 10 per cent declared to depositors of closed Farmers and Miners National Bank of Bentleyville. Lloyd Poling, Fredericktown, sentenced to Huntingdon Industrial School as accessory in murder of James Tedesco at Fredericktown.

10—Signed agreement ends 18-day strike of George Washington Hotel employes. Albert Feelo, of Fredericktown, sentenced to from three and half to seven years in penitentiary in Tedesco murder case.

11—Wall of new Ellsworth High School Building collapses, injuring 12 workmen. Dr. C. W. Kaiser resigns from W. & J. faculty to accept position at Russell Sage College.

12—Launch investigation of collapse of school at Ellsworth. The Rev. Jacob Ruble, Sr., 91-year-old Civil War veteran of West Alexander, honored at banquet. L. R. Crumrine, Third Ward School principal, Washington, resigns after 50 years in teaching profession. Frank Phillips, 67, of Conger Station, won Tri-State district sheep-shearing title.

13—Announcement made Senator James J. Davis will be speaker at State G. A. R. convention in Washington in June.

15—Bentleyville Fire Department purchases modern 12-cylinder fire truck.

16—Charles J. Margiotti, speaking in Washington County, calls on voters to "wipe out graft, greed and corruption" in state.

17—Voters of district nominate Faddis and Burchinal for Congress; Reed and Bloom for State Senate. County voters nominate Hindman, Marino, Reese and Williams, Democrats, for Assembly, and Peacock, Coulson, Heffran and Wagner, Republicans, for Assembly. County gives majorities to Earle for Senator and Kennedy for Governor in Democratic primaries, and to Davis for Senator and Pinchot for Governor in Republican vote. Deemston and Speers approve bond issues; Smith Township votes bond issue down.

May 1938

18—Newton Newkirk, native of County nationally known as columnist, dies. County Republican Chairman Alex McIlvaine, who supported Pinchot for Governor in primaries, announced he will give full support to Judge James who won nomination.

19—James Wells, 38, of near Brownsville, dies of injuries received in collapse of wall of new Ellsworth school. J. H. Cheeseman, Finleyville, drills in 100-barrel oil well on Arblaster farm near Linden.

20—Washington merchants oppose plan for parking meters before City Council.

21—Small "twister" damages four farms in Buffalo Township near S Bridge. Deemston School Board selects location for new four-room building. Miss Martha Larkin chosen as "Miss Washington."

23—Hail storm does heavy damage in district. Miss Betty Hazlett, Canonsburg, chosen as May Queen of Western Reserve University.

24—George Washington Chapter of Sons of American Revolution choose James K. Warne as president.

25—John M. O'Rourke, of Joffre, appointed superintendent of Washington County Children's Home. George Ericson, of Clairton, killed by train at Finleyville.

26—L. F. Ayolle, 59, New Eagle, drops dead on way home from cemetery where he had decorated brother's grave. Official count shows J. Albert Reed defeated Cliff S. Patterson by 152 votes for Democratic nomination for State Senate.

27—Miss Edith Mae Browning named Hickory High's May Queen. Miss June Albright, Monongahela, critically injured in auto accident.

28—George Boykas, 53, Canonsburg merchant, shot to death; Nicholas Boykas, 21, his nephew, held by police. Mrs. Anna Shirdock, 26, fatally injured in plunge from moving automobile and her husband. John Shirdock, 31, of Independence, held by officers in case.

30—District celebrates Memorial Day. Milton Scanlon, 17, South Donora, drowns in Monongahela River.

31—Dr. J. K. Smith, Charleroi, Washington County Controllor, retires from Democratic State Committee after 16 years continuous membership.

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JUNE

1—Municipal garbage collection system goes into effect in Washington. Washington Seminary begins 102nd annual commencement program.

2—Washington Recreation Board elects Ellan Jane Smith and Paul E. McDowell as playground supervisors. Train strikes and kills Mrs. Barbara Horwat, 55, of Strabane. Peter E. McNames, 46, McKeesport, killed when struck by a truck at Donaldsons Crossroads. Coroner's jury holds Nicholas Boykas, 21, Canonsburg, for fatal shooting of uncle, George Boykas, at Canonsburg.

3—W. & J. College graduates largest class of 104 students before 2,000 persons at 137th annual commencement; Dr. Robert E. Speer speaks. State Highway employes in County protest to Governor Earle against long delay in pay. County Commissioners notify State the County will not pay property damages incident to proposed relocation of Route 40 in Donegal Township.

4—Striking bakery truck drivers destroy load of baked goods in Canton Township. Robert R. Gist, of Independence, dies of streptococcic infection.

6—Blanche Sechen, 18, member of Ellsworth High graduating class, is reunited with sister, Jean, 19, after being separated 16 years without knowing each other's whereabouts. William J. Landis, city treasurer of Monongahela, dies.

7—Pomona Grange opposes parking meters in Washington. Washington Seminary graduates 102nd class.

8—Washington City Council postpones final action on ordinance to provide parking meters.

9—Washington School Board elects Miss Elizabeth Naser principal of Third Ward school.

10—Washington County Public Health Association reelects T. W. Henderson, Washington health officer, as president. County Sabbath School Association, in convention at Claysville, scores liquor traffic.

11—Midway Methodist Episcopal congregation holds rededication service in renovated church building. New type street lights installed in Washington.

13—Ed R. Smith, former Washington and Canonsburg banker, dies in Texas.

14—Washington County Christian Endeavor Union, in convention in Washington, elects E. Permler Hill, Charleroi, a president. Potato sprayer explodes, killing Carey M. Crownover, 35, of Elrama.

15—Paul and Andrew Simpson, aged 16 and 10, sons of Mr. and Mrs. David Simpson, of near Lone Pine, drown in Little Ten Mile Creek near home. The Rev. C. D. Eltringham, of Waynesburg, accepts call to pastorate of Claysville Baptist Church.

16—Benjamin Mikas, 23, Charliers Township, instantly killed in home by accidental discharge of shot gun. Upper Buffalo Presbyterian Church extends call to the Rev. James M. Briceland, of Corapolis.

17—Oscar Fagley, of Butler County, killed and James Allen, Beallsville, critically injured as scaffold in mine air shaft near Beallsville collapses.

18—Fire destroys John White residence near Morganza. Mr. and Mrs. J. Wilbur Thompson, prominent Beallsville residents, celebrate 55th wedding anniversary.

20—State convention of Grand Army of Republic opens in Washington, with 101-year-old William D. Welch, of Dunlevy, oldest veteran attending. George Haley, member of Roscoe Borough Council, dies of injuries sustained when apparently struck by train.

21—"Gusher" oil well brought in on Huffman farm at Chambers dam takes fire, causing loss of \$20,000. J. Willis Martin, prominent South Strabane Township citizen, dies.

22—C. H. William Ruhe, 89, Pittsburgh, elected State commander of G. A. R. at convention in Washington; huge parade, "campfire" address by U. S. Senator J. J. Davis, feature convention.

23—Colorful military ball closes State G. A. R. convention. PWA approves \$41,000 grant for construction of new high school at Avella. Storm washes out roads, blocks Route 13 with high water in Bur-

gettstown area. Mrs. G. W. Parker, Monongahela, reelected County W. C. T. U. president at convention at Canonsburg.

24—Fall of 250 feet from tippel of Cokeburg mine kills Constantino Gannavelli, 45, of that community.

25—Michael Rockey, 52, of Avela, takes own life by hanging. Ewing Bert Meeks, Washington, pleads guilty to voluntary manslaughter in fatal injury of John Dee Yorke in Segretti Grill, Washington, and is sentenced to seven months in County Jail.

27—County farm Show dates set for September 23 and 24.

28—The Rev. Walter J. Raiston ordained as minister and installed as pastor of Grove U. P. Church at West Middletown. Mr. and Mrs. Chester B. Jackson, of near Claysville, celebrate 50th wedding anniversary.

29—Republicans reelect Alexander McIlvaine, Jr. as County chairman and Mrs. Margaret Thompson, Washington, vice chairman. The Rev. Austin J. Ecker, of Cincinnati, O., accepts call to pastor of Trinity Episcopal Church, Washington. Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Hayden, prominent residents of Monongahela district, celebrate 40th wedding anniversary.

30—Berry pickers near Finleyfind body of Frederick Mehrmann, Jr., 19, missing since April 15 from home in Finleyville; suicide probable. Taylorstown citizens demand improvement of Taylorstown-Claysville road.

JULY

1—Washington City Council decides to hold special election on bond issue to finance erection of Eighth Ward viaduct. Frank Sabo, Burgettstown, killed in auto collision near Sutton, W. Va. Old Ackley covered bridge from Wheeling Creek near West Finley, rebuilt by Henry Ford at Dearborn, is rededicated.

2—Lone thug holds up Burgettstown liquor store and gets \$134.

4—District celebrates Independence Day. Body of unidentified man found hanging from tree near Laboratory by E. A. Wigman, Washington. Willard Porter, prominent Washington businessman, dies.

5—Thomas R. Hart, 74, pioneer oil operator, dies at home in Washington. County Commissioners notify State that County will not provide medical relief for all indigent persons, but only for those incapacitated. Man found dead near Laboratory identified as Pete Petusky, 53, Ontario miner. J. L. Roberts assumes duties as County Superintendent of Schools.

6—Charles N. Brady, 89, founder of Hazel-Atlas Glass Company, dies in Washington home.

7—Coroner's jury exonerates A. B. Curry, Washington, R. D. 1, in death of East Monongahela woman struck by his automobile.

8—National Guardsmen of Washington County leave for annual training at Indiantown Gap. Tony Chebatoris, formerly of Cecil, executed in Michigan for slaying man during attempted bank robbery at Midland, Mich.

9—Badly charred body of James L. Elliott, 68, Van Buren district farmer, found in ashes of brush pile near home. John Blake, 80, of Laboratory, dies of hurts sustained when struck by automobile. Joseph John Yanek, Jr., 14, of West Brownsville, drowns in Monongahela River.

11—County delegations visit Harrisburg to urge reconstruction of Washington-Old Concord and Donora-Bentleyville roads.

12—Henry Lojak, 21, Ellsworth, drowns in Ellsworth reservoir.

13—Frank Zerambo, 27, Canonsburg, struck and killed by automobile near home. Fire destroys barn, stable and silo on W. L. Shaw farm near Arden; loss \$5,000.

14—Joseph Edwards, 72, prominent in coal industry, dies at home in Coal Center.

15—John Dutko, 19, Marianna, wanted in County for larceny, arrested in New York after chase during which shots are fired. Joseph Wisgardt, 43, Ontario miner, found dead of drowning in stream near home.

16—State Police arrest Frank Kacin, 26, of Turtle Creek, in connection with liquor store robbery at Burgettstown. Mr. and Mrs. Edward Misheck, Sr., of Avella, celebrate 50th wedding anniversary. Descendants of Quakers dedicate marker at site of old Quaker Meeting House at Westland.

18—Wenman Allen Wade, 49, prominent Washington business man, dies. Mrs. Nina Teegarden, 73, of Deemston, dies of burns received when clothes took fire.

19—Chinch bugs do extensive damage on farms in Mingo district. Miss Margaret McNary Lindsey, 89, of McDonald, former school teacher, dies of injuries sustained in fall. Charles H. Sneddon, 47, widely known Midway World War veteran, drops dead in Pittsburgh.

20—Mike Klamorick, 24, of California, drowns in Monongahela River. Mr. and Mrs. David M. Vauscyoc, of near Dunns Station, celebrate 60th wedding anniversary. Fire destroys Bert Phillips home near Hickory.

21—Edward Williams, former Washington barber, convicted of murder at Mercer, loses appeal for new trial. Mrs. Nellie Pichora, 50, of Francis Mine, loses both legs as result of being struck by auto. Testimonial banquet given for Rev. Stephen J. Pavelko at Ellsworth.

22—State advertises for bids for relocation of National Highway in Donegal Township. Paul Benlock, 59, of Vestaburg, dies of injuries sustained in slate fall at Vesta No. 7 mine. Mrs. Nellie Pichora, 50, of Francis Mine, dies of injuries received when struck by auto.

23—District swelters in 96 degree heat.

25—State Grange selects Washington as scene for 1938 convention. Robert Burgess, 48, of Hills Station, wanted in slaying of wife, Mrs. Mabel Burgess, and her son, Archie Wright, at Hills Station, arrested in Youngstown. J. McBee, 32, Burgettstown, held by coroner's jury in

fatal injury of Mrs. Nellie Pichora, Francis Mine, struck by his automobile.

26—Neighbors find John LeBarre, 74, well-known Washington barber, dead in bed.

27—John R. Buchanan, 70, of Midway, falls under road grader and is crushed to death. Fire causes \$30,000 damage to Molybdenum Corporation plant in Washington. Coroner's jury attributes fatal collapse of walls of Ellsworth High School to "insufficient support of floors." G. W. Scott, prominent Monongahela business man, and Masonic leader, dies.

28—Violent storm damages street at Monongahela. Dog quarantines of 120 days ordered in Washington and East Washington.

29—Postmasters' Association of Washington County holds banquet in Washington with Greene County postmasters as guests.

30—Andrew Korbeski, 22, Vestaburg, killed by hit-run auto driver. Chartiers (Hill) Presbyterian Church extends call to the Rev. W. R. McKim, of Beaver Falls.

AUGUST

1—Motor Police arrest second man, Oscar Gierson, 23, Tarentum, in holdup of Burgettstown liquor store.

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5—Eugene Ray Finchman, 8, of Hills Station, drowns in Chartiers Creek near home. George E. Wyland, 49, Washington, fatally injured when knocked down by plunging horse and run over by hay wagon.

6—Florence Presbyterian and Old Center Presbyterian Churches prepare for celebrations of 152nd and 110th anniversaries. Pennsylvania Railroad seeks authorization to abandon W. & W. Railroad.

8—Heavy storm damages crops in County. Thug breaks into Grandview home, beats 75-year-old Mrs. Alice Walter, of Eldora, and takes \$260. County Commissioners let contract for extensive improvement of Donora-Webster bridge.

10—WPA workers complain of being told to buy tickets for Democratic picnic to be held at Hershep.

11—Mrs. Mary Manson, 81, confined to Canonsburg Hospital two years by hip fracture, dies.

12—NLRB ends hearing on labor conditions at Washington Tin Plate Company as 230 employes go on record of denying coercion charges.

13—Leo Harris, of Princess Ann, Md. John Chase, Johnstown, and Joseph Brannon, of Clairton, killed as auto collides with truck at Dunlevy.

15—More than 12,000 attend Hazel-Atlas picnic at Kennywood Park. Roscoe opens celebration in honor of Rear Admiral W. Rae Furlong.

16—County Young Republicans elect Robert J. Wagner, Washington, president. John Paterlini, 69, of North Charleroi, found drowned in Monongahela River.

17—John Cusher, 22, Hackett, critically wounded by accidental shot from companion's rifle while hunting.

18—Mike Koval, 19, Monongahela, drowns in Monongahela River as boat capsizes and Helen Powelchek, 20, of Manow, barely escapes same fate in futile rescue effort.

19—Steve and Albert Netz, aged 18 and 14, of Richeyville, fall into Monongahela River and drown. Receiver announces First Bank and Trust Company, Washington, to pay five per cent dividend in September.

6 August

20—Henry C. prominent Independence citizen, celebrates 90th birthday. Paul Staley, 16, Coal Center, breaks neck in dive into shallow water. National Chautauqua Literary and Scientific Circle elects Mrs. Ernest Waltz, Washington, president.

22—The Rev. R. T. Idleman, 67, of near Marianna, for many years pastor of Ten Mile Church of Brethren, dies. State starts rebuilding of National Highway in Donegal Township.

23—Mrs. Mary Allender, 71, of Washington, dies of injuries sustained in a fall. M. H. Francis, prominent California citizen, dies. W. J. McBee, Slovan, pleads guilty to involuntary manslaughter in death of Mrs. Nellie Pichora, of Francis Mine, struck by his car, and is sentenced to jail.

24—John Shirdock, Independence, sentenced to County Jail in death of wife who fell from his speeding automobile. Hundreds of former pupils of Jolly School hold reunion.

25—Steve Giricz fatally shot in Centerville home; daughter, Irene, 12, to face murder charge. Paul Loskey, 12, Coal Center, dies of injuries sustained when his bicycle collided with auto.

26—Claude Voorhes, 36, formerly of Washington, dies of electrocution in heroic effort to rescue injured fellow worker on high tension tower in California.

27—Mike (Battling Gizzy) Urilli, Donora, critically injured in auto wreck near Meadowlands.

29—Bethlehem Evangelical Lutheran Church at Glyde opens celebration of 150th anniversary. Coroner's jury holds Irene Giricz, 12, of Centerville, in slaying of father.

30—Charleroi voters approve \$95,000 bond issue for construction of annex to high school. Dr. and Mrs. W. D. Martin, Washington, celebrate 50th wedding anniversary.

31—Trinity High School announces arrangements made to play night football games at College Field.

SEPTEMBER

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1—Freight train at Claysville strikes and kills Frank Balzell, 65, of near Claysville. County School Board approves plans for erection of new schools under Thompson Act in nine districts. Mike (Battling Gizzy) Urilli dies of auto crash hurts.

2—Slate fall in mine fatally injures Kelly Morgan, 52, Canonsburg. Judge James I. Brownson stricken seriously ill in court. Thomas Hughes, 18, Washington, dies of injuries sustained in auto accident.

3—Millsboro Presbyterian Church prepares to celebrate 100th anniversary. State appoints David R. McClay as supervisor of agriculture in Washington and Greene Counties schools. Mr. and Mrs. William Thirwall, Finleyville, observe 50th wedding anniversary.

5—Lone thug holds up and binds three persons in office of State Theater in Washington, flees with sum estimated at from \$1,200 to \$1,500. Mr. and Mrs. J. Add Sprowls, East Finley, celebrate 50th wedding anniversary.

6—Edward Williams, former Washington barber, sentenced to death for murder at Greenville, appeals to State Supreme Court for new trial. Pomona Grange denounces liquor traffic and lotteries.

7—Dr. H. H. McBurney, Avella, resigns as district commander of American Legion. Fire destroys B. A. Hayward farm house near Ginger Hill. Independence School Board plans to start work on new school building in October.

8—Burgettstown Fair opens for 83rd year. Massa Anderson, 32, Avella miner, stabbed to death.

9—Roscoe voters defeat proposed \$27,000 bond issue for street and sewer improvements. Fire does \$5,000 damage to J. S. Landay Company junkyard, Washington. Rev. J. M. Briceland installed as pastor of Upper Buffalo Presbyterian Church.

10—Legionnaires elect Louis Nagy, Monongahela, commander of 25th district. William Anderson, 78, Washington, dies of hurts sustained in fall from auto. Mr. and Mrs. William Horton, Centerville, celebrate 50th wedding anniversary.

12—Class of 200 Freshmen enter W. & J. College. Train strikes and kills Cashmere Jacobs, 50, of Van Eman, at Canonsburg. Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Crawford, North Strabane Township, celebrate 62nd wedding anniversary.

13—Irene Giricz, 12, Centerville, pleads guilty at hearing to charge of murdering father.

14—Fred M. Manikheim, 47, Washington, electrocuted accidentally while at work. Dominic Bon-tempo, 1, of Avella, catches head in crock of water and drowns.

15—West Alexander fair opens. Victor Bane, 23, Washington, critically hurt in auto accident near Florence. California dedicates new postoffice.

16—Victor Bane, Washington, dies of auto injuries. Chester Miller, 67, prominent Claysville merchant, dies. Tony Louder, 59, Burgettstown street commissioner, dies. Mr. and Mrs. W. Scott Noah, Hickory, observe 56th wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Bolton, Amity, observe 64th wedding anniversary.

20—Washington Community Theater opens membership drive. Morris Berger, 47, Monongahela, dies of hurts received in fall from truck.

21—Mt. Prospect U. P. Church extends call to the Rev. Carl J. Kissling.

22—Hill Presbyterian Church installs the Rev. W. R. McKim as pastor.

23—Ten thousand persons attend County Farm Show at Arden on first day.

24—Construction company rebuilding National Highway in Donegal Township charges sabotage of machinery by union organizers.

27—Chartiers Presbytery elects the Rev. E. L. Haney, Houston, as moderator.

28—William D. Dinsmore, 48, Washington, former County detective and district Legion commander, found dead with shot wound in head.

29—Fire destroys W. H. Kinsey home in Fallowfield Township.

30—Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Fullerton, of McDonald, observe golden wedding anniversary.

OCTOBER

3—Chartiers Township uses three new school buildings for first time; junior high at McGovern and grades at Cross Roads and Midland. David R. McClay assumes duties as vocational agriculture adviser in Washington County.

2—Etta Jane Fulton, 82, long teacher in Washington schools, dies. County Assistance Board names Charles M. Supler, Washington, supervisor. Mr. and Mrs. Herbert S. Buchanan, Hickory, celebrate 50th wedding anniversary. Mrs. James H. Corwin and Ann R. Braden begin terms as president and vice president of Current events Club. Pietro Pizzutelli, Monongahela, dies from effects of mad dog bite.

6—Addison Jones, pianist, appears in concert here. Seventh annual Community Fair opens at Hickory.

5—Robert Wylie Moser, 2, son of Mrs. Lucy Moser, Washington, R. D. 2, dies of burns.

7—Chartiers (Hill) Presbyterian Church tenders reception to new pastor, the Rev. W. R. McKim and family. State Authority receives new Armory at Canonsburg.

9—Arrange double funeral for Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Ashmore, Claysville, both of whom succumbed to hip fractures.

10—Fire destroys Mary Ann Theater, Burgettstown with \$30,000

loss. Registration completed. 84-512 citizens of Washington County qualify to cast ballots.

12—Ruth Urnick, 17, Avella, suffers fatal injuries in auto accident.

13—A. M. Kesterson, 51, Monongahela, fatally hurt in fall from truck. Raze Col. Frazee home, Lone Pine, built in 1800.

14—Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Speer, Sr., McDonald, R. D., celebrate 55th wedding anniversary. School directors of Washington County, at annual convention, urge changes in teacher tenure act and that state provide funds to meet requirements of legislation.

15—Evelyn Hancher, 16, Claysville, succumbs to hurts received in train-auto collision. Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Colvin, Dunlevy, celebrate 64th anniversary of marriage.

17—Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Liggett, West Middletown, complete 55 years of married life. Thermometer registers 85 here in record warm weather for October. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smith, Centerville, quietly celebrate 50th anniversary.

18—Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Pease, Wylandville, celebrated 50th anniversary of marriage.

19—Washington County Federation of Women's Clubs endorses county traveling library.

20—Court approves transfer of funds to Juvenile Court. Edward McDonald, acting president of W. & J. College board of trustees, announces drive for \$300,000 for new chemistry building at school.

21—Houston U. P. Church opens celebration of 50th anniversary.

23—Mr. and Mrs. William G. Beddilion, East Finley, celebrate 50th wedding anniversary.

24—J. A. McConnell, 76, prominent North Strabane farmer, dies suddenly.

27—Presbyterian Church, Finleyville, opens celebration of 50th anniversary. Ginger Hill Community Club completes 25th year.

28—Mrs. Eva Lutes Gilleland, 79, Charleroi, suffers fatal hurts in fall from door of moving auto. Robert Burgess, Hills Station, slayer of two, receives prison sentence.

30—National Guard Association of Pennsylvania elects Col. John Aiken, Washington, president and selects Washington as 1939 meeting place. John Cary Brenton, Charleroi, prominent architect, dies.

NOVEMBER

1—George A. Crowe, Scenery Hill, R. D., farmer and war veteran, killed when car crashes into him in fog near Chartiers (Hill) Presbyterian Church. William W. Bannister, 49, formerly of Washington, suffers fatal injuries when caught in cable of oil well at Mt. Pleasant, Mich.

2—Spanish War veterans elect James Burns, Washington, commander.

3—Members Washington Kiwanis Club elect Robert E. Boyles, high school principal, president. Auto hits and fatally injures Donald Alvin Garbart, seven, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Garbart, of Washington.

5—Kerfoot W. Daly, 64, president of National Bank of Charleroi and Trust Company, one of county's most prominent citizens suffers fatal injuries in automobile accident in West Virginia. Descendants of William Knox hold reunion on 50th wedding anniversary of

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas M. Caldwell, near West Middletown.

6—Rear Admiral S. W. Bryant, 61, native of Venetia district, dies at Asheville, N. C.

8—Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Speakman, Houston, celebrate 50th wedding anniversary.

7—Grand jury indicts Irene Giricz, Centerville, as slayer of father, Steve Giricz. Total eclipse of moon is visible in Washington and County. Barn burns on Charles N. Gantz farm, Prosperity, with heavy loss.

8—Voters of Washington and Greene Counties elect Charles I. Faddis, Waynesburg, congressman and J. Albert Reed, California, state senator. First legislative district voters of Washington County elect Vance D. Peacock, Houston, and Dr. A. O. Hindman, Burgetts-town, to General Assembly. Second district voters elect C. O. Williams and Russell E. Reese to General Assembly. Viaduct bond issue in Washington losses 5,448 to 3,879.

10—George Briggs, 68, meets instant death when struck by automobile. Thomas Patrick McDonough, 71, general manager of Washington Tin Plate Company, dies after brief serious illness at home here.

11—Thousands attend Armistice Day celebration at Monongahela. Washington and Jefferson College concludes Founders Day observance with prominent military leaders as guests and speaker, including Major General James G. Harboard and Major General Frank R. McCoy.

12—The Rev. John R. Loudon notifies congregation of Mt. Pleasant U. P. Church, Hickory, of acceptance of call to First U. P. Church, Akron, O.

14—Judge Carl E. Gibson orders arrest of Ralph Depoe, McKnight avenue, Washington, on perjury charge when he changes story at trial of Sam Devenney, Washington.

15—Many get free coal when vein is hit during reconstruction of Route 40 west of Claysville.

16—Make rapid progress in razing old Washington Hospital building, Acheson avenue. Two district hunters, George Duncan, 51, Donora, and Castorina Mancini, 40, Nemacolin, meet death while hunting.

17—Carnegie Coal Company official confirms sale of control of firm, founded by John A. Bell, to Island Creek Coal Company, large acreage and three mines in Washington County being included. Return Board completes official count.

18—Bentleyville, Peters Township and West Bethlehem Township High Schools establish vocational agriculture classes. David Miller Russell, 75, dies in Robinson Township. Fire destroys home of Mason Grinage, West Finley.

19—Auto strikes and fatally injures William Wiegel, 10, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ward Wiegel, Centerville. Fifteen hear sentences in court, including Beauford Sutton as slayer of Abe Lomas, Washington. Jesse J. Davis, 56, fatally stricken while assisting neighbor butcher hogs.

20—Congregation of Pigeon Creek U. P. Church holds rededication services. J. Albert Porter, 87, dies at Claysville.

22—Washington Community Chest closes with \$61,152 pledged. Ralph E. Anchors, of near Washington, engaged in business in Pittsburgh, dies.

23—Reopen Donora-Webster Bridge closed weeks for repairs.

24—Sanford S. Baird, 20, Blairsville, meets instant death in accidental discharge of shotgun while visiting in Cecil Township.

25—Ralph Depoe, Washington, goes to prison from one to three years on perjury charge. Henry L. Smith, 81, retired Centerville merchant, dies.

29—Rabies outbreak in Independence Township results in 11 sheep and one cow being killed.

30—Walter S. Duvall, 55, near Marianna, suffers fatal injuries in automobile accident while on hunting trip. Gordon V. Eland, 20, of Richeyville, fatally hurt in mine accident. Mrs. John H. Murdoch, dies at home in Washington.

DECEMBER

1—John Griffith Herriott, 61, Mt. Pleasant Township, dies.

2—Governor Earle announces appointment of F. Leo Wright, McDonald, as Washington County Clerk of Courts.

3—The Rev. John R. Burson, well known county minister, dies.

4—Mr. and Mrs. John W. Weaver, Washington, R. D. 4, celebrate 50th wedding anniversary. Vesta Coal Company announces selection of Arthur Frazier, Ellsworth, as safety director.

5—Auto accident hurts fatal to Rev. John L. Proudfoot, member of old Washington County family. Josiah H. Kurtz, 75, long prominent in church and business circles of Washington, dies. Most school boards of Washington County reorganize.

6—Congregation of First Presbyterian Church, Washington, celebrates 145th anniversary. Washington County Pomona Grange initiates record class at meeting preliminary to state convention. Charleroi Elks hold first of series of meetings in honor of John K. Tener, former governor and congressman and long resident of Washington County.

7—Students find William L. Townsend, 19, W. & J. freshman, dead of strangulation in dormitory room.

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Martin Luther Armstrong, 70, Canonsburg, fatally stricken while directing repairs to home. Washington School Board announces plan to collect delinquent per capita tax. William Edgar (Peck) Forsythe, 27, well known as Washington athlete, fatally stricken while at work at Hazel No. 1 plant.

9—Flames cause damage of up to \$10,000 to Washington Masonic Temple. State Banking Secret y announces Washington Trust Company will pay five per cent dividend to depositors.

11—Representatives of many organizations participate in dedication of Robert R. Forrest Neighborhood House here.

12—Vocational students of Peters Township High School organize chapter of Future Farmers of America. J. Ferree Anderson, Civil War veteran, celebrates 99th birthday. High school principal elect W. H. Clipman. Charleroi, president of Southwestern Pennsylvania district organization.

13—Pennsylvania State Grange opens 66th annual session here. Their combined service representing 100 years, tribute is paid to George D. McNutt and J. Wilbur Munnell, Canonsburg bankers. Additional decisions by viewers bring total cost of Dunn avenue improvement in damage awards to \$41,500. National Master L. J. Taber and State Master J. A. Boak address State Grange.

15—State Grangers elect Kenzie S. Bagshaw, Blair County, master. Delegates praise Washington for cleanliness and hospitality. Chief of National Guard Bureau announces in recognition of record that 110th Infantry will be first to receive semi-automatic Garand rifle. Thomas Pipes, 81, South Franklin Township, dies. State Pardon Board announces it will not oppose commutation of death sentence to life imprisonment for G. Edgar Williams, 61, former Washington man, convicted in Mercer County slaying.

18—Washington County Red Cross Chapter announces 3,500 members enrolled in roll call. H. J. Carroll, Greene County, tenders testimonia banquet to C. E. Crothers, Washington. Ludemella Popko, 21, Clairton, fatally hurt in accident near Finleyville. Washington police arrest Lade Collins, 36, as slayer of brother. Willis Collins, 40, Pierce C. Gween, 86, dies suddenly at home near Glyde. The Rev. Dr. Mar us Acheson Brownson, member old Washington family, dies at Durham, N. C.

19—Washington and Jefferson College passes goal in Washington County phase of campaign for \$300,000 for new chemistry building, raising \$101,937.

20—Fallowfield Township School Board awards contracts for addition to Consolidated School. Fire destroys barn on Joseph Krupzig farm, near Marianna. Rosarich Zaccari, 93 Woodland avenue, finds wife, Caroline, dead of carbon monoxide fumes in bathroom of home. Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Richay, East Finley, celebrate 61st anniversary of marriage.

21—Washington County Commissioners approve Donora-Webster bridge improvements. Auto hits and kills Pete Visloki, 50, near Avella. Fire destroys Leo Allen home, South Strabane.

22—Joseph Stech, Charleroi, succumbs to self-inflicted gunshot wounds. Robert A. Roberts, 84, last Washington County survivor of Custer campaign against Indians, dies.

25—Mr. and Mrs. Frank DeNormandie, Washington, celebrate 50th wedding anniversary.

27—Jesse Y. Binns, 62, native of Centerville district, dies at Browns-ville.

27—Fire destroys 21 homes at Crescent Heights settlement of Pittsburgh Coal Company. Burns prove fatal to Mrs. Otto Keys, 74, Fredericktown, R. D. 1.

29—Pennsylvania State Education Association elects E. F. Westlake, supervising principal, East Washington, delegate to national convention.

31—Judge James I. Brownson, Washington, President Judge of Washington County, one of county's most distinguished citizens, dies Hillsview Sanitarium after illness of several months. He was stricken in his court room in September.

Judge James I. Brownson, Washington; \$154,400.39 in cash in banks, cash in closed banks, common and preferred stocks and mortgages due the estate. Among the stocks are: 281 shares of Columbia Gas & Electric, common; 20 shares of Jones & Laughlin Steel, preferred; cash, \$31,269.24; Home Owners Loan bonds, \$4,000; Citizens Water Company, preferred, \$2,500; West Penn Power, \$3,900; and numerous other water companies and common stocks.

ILLNESS OF FOUR MONTHS FATAL TO EMINENT JURIST

President Judge of County Court, on Bench 20 Years, Succumbs to Cerebral Hemorrhage Saturday Night.

FUNERAL SERVICES TO BE TUESDAY AFTERNOON

Regarded as State's Outstanding Common Pleas Jurist—Took Important Part in Many Community Affairs

THREE SISTERS SURVIVE

Judge James I. Brownson, president judge of the Washington County Court and generally regarded as the outstanding common pleas jurist in Pennsylvania, died in Hillsview Sanitarium at 9:15 o'clock Saturday night, December 31, 1938, after a four-months illness.

Judge Brownson, who would have attained his 83rd birthday the 25th of this month, was one of the most prominent and respected citizens of Washington County, and although retiring in nature had for many years taken a leading part in many community affairs including charitable, social, civic, business, church and educational work.

His final illness began last September 2 when he was suddenly stricken while delivering a charge to a jury in court and was unable to continue. Assisted from the bench, he was taken to Hillsview Sanitarium and remained there until his death, which resulted from a cerebral hemorrhage.

Judge Brownson was born in Washington January 25, 1856, the first of seven children of the late Eleanor Acheson Brownson and the Rev. Dr. James I. Brownson, who for 50 years served as pastor of First Presbyterian Church. He was a grandson of Major John Brownson who served as a soldier in the War of 1812, and a great-grandson of Dr. Richard Brownson, who was a surgeon of the Continental Army during the Revolutionary War. His mother, a daughter of David and Mary Wilson Acheson, also was a member of one of the district's earliest and most prominent families.

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After attending public schools, Judge Brownson entered Washington and Jefferson College and was graduated in 1875 with a bachelor of arts degree. He immediately began the study of law in the office of Alexander Wilson in Washington, and in 1878 was admitted to practice.

For some years he practiced law independently, then formed a partnership with John W. Donnan and Alvan Donnan and continued practice under the firm name of Donnans & Brownson. Later, John H. Donnan and Richard G. Miller were admitted to the firm and the name was changed to Brownson, Donnan & Miller.

In 1918 Governor Martin G. Brumbaugh appointed Judge Brownson as judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Washington County to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Judge Robert W. Irwin. In the fall of 1919 he was elected to succeed himself on the bench for a 10-year term beginning in January, 1920, and ten years later he was reelected to another 10-year term of which he had served nine years at the time of his death. He had been president judge of the court since January of 1922 when Judge John A. McIlvaine retired.

JURIST DIES



Judge James I. Brownson, above, president judge of the Washington County Court and one of this district's most distinguished and valuable citizens, died Saturday night of a cerebral hemorrhage after an illness of four months. He was nearing his 83rd birthday.

TWO JUDGES ARE INDUCTED HERE

R. W. Knox Takes Oath as Successor to Judge Brownson, and Judge Hughes Sworn in as President Judge
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MANY ATTEND CEREMONIES

Induction of two judges into the Courts of Common Pleas of Washington County took place Saturday morning when Judge Howard W. Hughes, senior judge of the local courts, became President Judge, and R. W. Knox took his oath as additional law judge. The Commission of Judge Hughes as President Judge was received from Harrisburg Saturday.

The ceremony was witnessed by several hundred persons who gathered in Court Room No. 2, among them being friends of Judge Knox, who was appointed by Governor Earle last Monday, following the death of Judge James I. Brownson last Saturday night, after having served as additional law judge and President Judge for the past 20 years.

On the bar were a number of floral tributes from friends and Courthouse officials of Judge Knox, which added a festive touch to the occasion. Attorney Knox was escorted into the Court Room by Judges Hughes and Gibson, of the Common Pleas Court, and Judge J. Boyd Crumrine, President Judge of the Orphans Court.

After Court was opened, Deputy Prothonotary John H. Gnip read the Commission of Judge Hughes as President Judge, after which Judge Hughes was sworn in by Judge Carl E. Gibson.

APPOINTED JUDGE



Attorney Robert Welch Knox, of Washington, last night was appointed judge in the Washington County Common Pleas Court to fill the vacancy caused by the death Saturday night of President Judge James I. Brownson, one of the State's eminent jurists. His term will continue until next January.

MRS. WM. A. COSGROVE

Mrs. Bessie McCleary Cosgrove, wife of William A. Cosgrove, died at 2 a. m. yesterday at her home, 1215. Oregon avenue, Steubenville, O. She was born at Eldersville, the daughter of John and Hannah Ann Cunningham McCleary, and spent the earlier part of her life there. Her husband was connected with the banking business in Vandergrift for a number of years, moving to Steubenville several years ago.

She is survived by her husband and two children, William and Esther, both at home; a sister, Mrs. Nellie Robertson, Steubenville, and one granddaughter, Lois.

Funeral services will be held at the late home on Saturday, January 14, at 2:30 p. m. Interment will be made at the Fort Steuben Burial Estate.

1-13-39

THOMAS R. SHANE

Thomas Ramsey Shane, 81, died Friday, January 13, 1939, at 2:30 a. m. at his home in Hickory of pneumonia, after a long illness. He had resided at Hickory the last 14 years and was a member of Mt. Pleasant United Presbyterian Church.

Surviving are one brother, J. P. Shane, of McDonald; one sister, Miss Anna Mary Shane, of McDonald, and several nephews and nieces.

Funeral services will be held Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Shane home in Hickory, with the Rev. Marshall Berryhill, of Hickory, in charge. Burial will be in Hickory Cemetery.

5-26-1937

WAYNE CLINE

Wayne Cline, 21, of Avella, died in Washington Hospital, Monday afternoon, Jan. 9, 1939, at 4:25 o'clock. He had undergone two operations for peritonitis, the second about two weeks ago.

Mr. Cline was employed at Wellsburg, W. Va., but lived with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Forest T. Cline, at Avella. He was born at Cliftonville, W. Va., Aug. 13, 1918. He was a member of the Avella Presbyterian Church.

Surviving are his parents and two brothers, Eugene Cline, of Warwood, W. Va., and Glenn Cline, at home.

Funeral services will be announced later.

MT. PLEASANT STUDENTS ENTER EXHIBITS IN FAIR

1939

HICKORY, Jan. 16—The Mt. Pleasant Township High School has had its feed grinder and practical playthings demonstration accepted for the State Farm Show at Harrisburg this week.

George E. Baker, supervisor of agriculture, and a score of project winners, F. F. A. boys and the demonstration team left this morning. Miss Edna Pifer, supervisor of home economics, accompanied by Barba and Ruth Bedillion, Mary Lou Ritchey and Evelyn Morgan will attend the show. Doll cradles, stuffed toys, spool dolls, trains and cars, boats, carts and many other toys have been made from cheese boxes, orange crates, spools, buttons and beads. The only material purchased was the paint used. This will be the first time in several years that the Hickory girls have had a demonstration team at the fair.

PASSES AWAY



J. Verner Clark, long one of Washington County's foremost citizens in civic and political affairs, died yesterday afternoon after a prolonged illness at his home, 48 North avenue, Washington.

Jan. 17, 1939

J. VERNER CLARK DIES AT HOME

During Active Years He Was One of County's Foremost Citizens as Public Official, Business and Civic Leader.

FUNERAL THURSDAY 2 P. M.

J. Verner Clark, 82, who during his active years was one of Washington County's foremost citizens in civic, business and political affairs, died yesterday afternoon about 4 o'clock at his home, 48 North avenue, after a prolonged illness. In failing health, his condition was complicated a few weeks ago by an attack of pneumonia.

Mr. Clark was a member of a pioneer county family. A son of Robert Cook and Matilda McCall Clark, he was born in Mt. Pleasant Township, near Hickory. His parents moved to West Middletown when he was seven years old. His great grandfather, Thomas Clark, settled in Robinson Township in 1789.

After completing studies in the public schools and the old Pleasant Hill Seminary at West Middletown, Mr. Clark attended Washington and Jefferson College. He followed farming until 1883 and then engaged in the mercantile business in Washington and then in West Middletown.

In 1894, Mr. Clark was elected sheriff of Washington County and served a four-year term. That was just previous to the erection of the present Courthouse and the sheriff's residence and jail were a large combined red brick building which stood at the corner of Main and Beau streets.

Completing a successful term as sheriff, Mr. Clark was a candidate for General Assembly and was elected as a member in 1899 and again in 1901. He was closely associated in politics with the late E. F. Acheson, who represented this district for many years in Congress and became prominent nationally as a Republican leader as well as in this state and district.

Completing his second term in the General Assembly, Mr. Clark became interested in the Citizens Water Company of Washington then being organized and was made its first superintendent. He held that position until the local company was purchased by a New York firm. He was, also, interested in the organization and development of water companies at Canonsburg, Monongahela and Greenville.

A progressive in politics, Mr. Clark was associated with independent movements within the Republican Party as a member of the Keystone Party in 1910, the Progressives in 1912 and the Washington Party of 1914. He also, supported former Governor Gifford Pinchot in several of his campaigns.

Mr. Clark's business interests during his active years were varied. He was one of the organizers of the Industrial Building and Loan Company here about 40 years ago and long remained in it in an official capacity. He had served as a director of the old First National Bank. He likewise was interested in coal land and real estate and as a member of the Wiles Land Company joined John M. Dunn, former county commissioner; George Lockhart and E. F. Acheson in donating ground to Washington for the present City Park.

Deeply religious, Mr. Clark was always active in church affairs. He was a member and elder of the Grove U. P. Church, West Middletown, before coming to Washington to reside. He transferred his membership to the First U. P. Church here and for a half a century or more was one of its most active members, serving as elder, teacher of a Sunday School class and in other capacities over a long period.

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Mr. Clark married Mary E. Taggart, a daughter of the Rev. Samuel Taggart, who served for a half century as a minister at West Middletown. Mrs. Clark, also a descendant of district pioneers, died several years ago. He leaves one daughter, Margaret McAyeal

Clark, at home. One sister and one brother survive, Laura and John Clark, of West Middletown.

Funeral services will be held at the Clark home, 48 North avenue, Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock, conducted by his pastor, the Rev. J. Paul Graham. Burial will be at West Middletown.

J. VERNER CLARK

Few citizens of this county were better or more widely known over a period of more than half a century than J. Verner Clark, who passed away on Monday at the age of 82 years.

Mr. Clark was a leading political figure ever since he came to Washington as Sheriff in 1894. He served two terms in the State Legislature, was chairman of the County Committee and was recognized for many years by State leaders as one of the most influential Republicans in the county.

He had a large part in framing his party's policies both in the county and State and was a close confident and adviser to many men in the political life of the State.

His interest in politics continued until within the last few years—an interest which was dominated by his intense devotion to the principles in which he believed and to his loyalty to his friends—personal and political.

Mr. Clark, however, had much wider interests than politics. For many years he was intimately connected with the business life of Washington and took an active part in the civic life of its people.

He was for many years Vice President of the County Historical Society.

Mr. Clark was always in the forefront of those public spirited movements which would advance the interests of the county and the welfare of its people—an early pioneer in the construction of public highways.

A loyal and devoted friend, an ardent churchman, a patriotic citizen, an able counsellor—Mr. Clark lived a life full of good deeds—and contributed his part over a long period of years to the moral and material development of the county, where he was born and reared.

PASSES AWAY



Clark R. Tilton, veteran school teacher, former jury commissioner and at the time of his death serving his 24th year as road supervisor in Robinson Township, died Wednesday afternoon in his home near Midway. He was also active in church work, and was superintendent of the Sunday School of the Robinson U. P. Church for several years.

CLARK R. TILTON TAKEN BY DEATH

Former Jury Commissioner,
Veteran Teacher and Church
and Sunday School Leader
Ill Since March.

ALSO ROAD SUPERVISOR

Clark R. Tilton, veteran teacher and former jury commissioner of Washington County, died in his home near Midway at 2 p. m. Wednesday, Jan. 18, 1939, after an illness of several months.

Last March 23, while teaching at the Primrose School, in Mt. Pleasant Township, he suffered a stroke while in the schoolroom, and had been an invalid since that time. Recently he suffered another stroke.

He was a son of Enoch and Mary Rush Tilton and was born near Waynesburg, Dec. 2, 1874.

September 13 1898, he married Ella C. Torrence, of Beaver County. Two daughters were born, Mrs. Beulah McClain, wife of Sweeney McClain, of Washington, and Mrs. Mary Esther Ganse, wife of John Ganse, of Cecil. Mrs. Tilton died Dec. 10, 1917.

October 12, 1920, Mr. Tilton married Ota Purvis, of Northside, Pittsburgh, who survives.

He was the oldest of a family of nine brothers and sisters, and his was the first death in the family. The following brothers and sisters survive: Mrs. A. J. Burns, Mrs. Frances Anderson and C. S. Tilton, C. Malone, Burgettstown; Mrs. S. C. Malne, of Burgettstown; Mrs. S. C. Thomas, of Holbrook, Greene County; M. H. Tilton, of Caldwell, O.; G. S. Tilton, of Sewickley, and Mrs. Paul Pugh, of Rochester. There are 10 grandchildren, and Mrs. John Burroughs, of 255 Jefferson avenue, Washington, is an aunt.

He began teaching school at the age of 19 years and taught for 37½ years, mostly in the northern part of the county. The last 10 or 12 years he taught at the Primrose School, in Mt. Pleasant Township. He had not taught since his ill-

ness began last March, and a short time ago was retired on pension.

He was an old line Democrat all his life. For 24 years he served as road supervisor in Robinson Township, and his present term was to expire in January, 1940.

For eight years he served as jury commissioner.

He was deeply interested in church work, and at the time of his death was an elder in the Center United Presbyterian Church, at Midway. While a member of the Robinson United Presbyterian Church, before coming to Midway, served as Sunday School superintendent there for a number of years.

Funeral services will be held Saturday at 2 o'clock, in the home, in charge of the Rev. Mr. Hubbard, of the Center U. P. Church, at Midway, assisted by the Rev. J. Walter Irwin, of the Robinson U. P. Church. Burial will be in the Robinson Cemetery.

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His parents buried at Mt Prospect

EMMETT S. WRIGHT

Emmett S. Wright, of Independence died in the Washington Hospital Tuesday, January 24, 1939, at 3 o'clock. He was admitted to the hospital one week ago, suffering from a carbuncle on his neck, which had given him trouble for two or three weeks. There are also other complications. Pneumonia developed yesterday morning, causing death.

He was born April 18, 1879, in East Finley Township, and was a son of Henry C. and Rachel Rockey Wright. He spent his early life in the West Finley section, and for 24 years was employed by the Pure Oil Pipe Company. He married Annie R. Fields, of West Finley, in February, 1900. She died several years ago.

He moved to Independence in March, 1928, and purchased part of what was known as the J. S. Liggett farm. He sold that farm and later purchased a small tract of land at Independence. Since going to Independence Township he had driven the school bus, hauling school children, and also engaged in the trucking business.

Surviving are the following children: Howard, Harley, Daunice, Gaylord, Eloise, all of Independence; Mrs. D. W. McCoy, Greenville; Mrs. Guy Campbell, Pittsburgh; Mrs. E. H. Yoders, Uniontown; and four grandchildren. The following brothers and sisters also survive: Mrs. Laura Sprowls, East Finley Township; James Wright, of East Finley; Nathan Wright, of Washington; Mrs. Lydia Sampson, of Washington; Mrs. P. L. Blair, of Waynesburg; Miss Jessie Wright, of Houston; Mrs. James Iams, of Detroit.

Short funeral services will be held Thursday at 11 a. m. in the Lower Buffalo Presbyterian Church at Independence, of which he was a member. Further services will be held at Windy Gap Presbyterian Church, near West Finley, at 2 o'clock, in charge of the Rev. Robert Paxton, of the Independence Presbyterian Church, assisted by the Rev. J. W. Shrader, of the Independence M. E. Church. Burial will be in the West Finley Cemetery.

January 25, 1939—Gertrude Miller, et con., Jefferson Township, to A. A. Haines, Burgettstown, 211 acres in Jefferson Township; \$1.

Andy Kormos Studa
Polly Davis Avella

Treasurer (C. W. Tope)—John Bevec, deputy, \$200 month; Theresa Hank, bookkeeper, \$175; Margaret P. Hagan, Jane Morrow and Alice Leckey, all clerks, \$140.

Emmett S. Wright, Independence Township; \$1,802 in life insurance and interest in two buses.

GEORGE EDWARD BECK

George Edward Beck, 27, died at 5:30 a. m. yesterday at the home of his parents, 165 Brookside avenue, following a lingering illness.

He was born March 6, 1911, the son of William F. and Etta Gump Beck. He was a member of the Missionary Alliance Church and an employe of the Washington Engineering and Construction Company.

He is survived by his wife, Thelma Tarr Beck; his parents; one daughter, Ruth Irene, and the following brothers and sisters; Miller Beck, Youngstown, O.; John and Edith Beck, Washington; and Jane, Elsie and Ray, at home.

Funeral services will be conducted from the home of his parents, 165 Brookside avenue, Saturday at 2 p. m., in charge of the Rev. R. F. Heinlein, of the Nazarene Church.

Interment will be made in Washington cemetery.

MRS. JEROME SWEARINGEN

Mrs. Anna McClurg Swearingen, 58, wife of Jerome Swearingen, died Saturday afternoon, Jan. 21, 1939, in her home near Hookstown. She had been in poor health for three months.

Mrs. Swearingen was born near Eldersville the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester McClurg. She received her education in Washington County and was a graduate of Slippery Rock Normal School. Mrs. Swearingen for many years taught in the Washington, Allegheny and Beaver County schools. She had been a resident of Hookstown for more than 20 years.

Surviving are her husband, Jerome Swearingen; one brother, Frank McClurg, of Imperial; and one sister, Mrs. John Johnston, of Eighty Four.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday, Jan. 24, at 2 p. m. at the Hanover U. P. Church of which she was an active member. Burial will be in Mill Creek Cemetery.

ALVIN MEDVED

Alvin Medved, 17, a Senior at Burgettstown High School, died at his home at Slovan at 7 p. m., Monday after being ill of pneumonia for only one day.

A son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Medved, he was born in Slovan and spent his entire life in that community. He leaves one brother, Hobart, and four sisters, Frances, Helen, Juliet and Marguerite, all at home.

Funeral services will be held in the family home Thursday at 2 p. m. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery, Burgettstown.

MRS. J. W. HARSHA

Mrs. Dota Cabel Harsha, wife of the Rev. Dr. J. W. Harsha, died suddenly Tuesday at her home in Darlington. Services will be held in the Darlington U. P. Church today at 1 p. m. and interment will be made later in Washington Cemetery.

She leaves several local relatives, brothers and sisters of her husband; Mrs. R. E. Steele, Miss Elia Harsha, Miss Nettie Harsha, all of Washington; Dr. C. L. Harsha, Canonsburg.

DR. MATTHEW REED M'BURNEY

The death Sunday of Dr. Matthew Reed McBurney, brother of J. H. McBurney and Dr. Kate McBurney, of Canonsburg, which occurred in California, ended a forty-year career of service to his fellowmen. Dr. McBurney died suddenly from a heart attack suffered as he was riding an interurban train en route from Los Angeles.

Dr. McBurney was born in Midway, and had a number of friends in this district. He had lived in California for the past 11 years. According to the conductor on the car he "appeared to fall into a dozing sleep as the car neared the station. When the train reached the junction it was discovered he was dead.

MRS. JOSEPH T. RYBURN

Mrs. Ida McDowell Ryburn, 62, wife of Joseph T. Ryburn, of Chartiers Township, died at 12:05 Monday, Jan. 30, 1939, in her home.

She was a daughter of Jacob and Margaret Dickson McDowell, of Mt. Pleasant Township, and was born August 14, 1876. She was a graduate of Hickory Academy and of California Normal School.

August 14, 1918, she was married to Joseph T. Ryburn, of Chartiers Township.

Surviving are three stepchildren, Joseph D. Ryburn, of Picture Rock; Mrs. J. W. Edgar, of Claysville, and Kenneth A. Ryburn, at home; one brother, John H. McDowell, of Hickory, and a sister, Mrs. Walter McPeake, of Washington, R. D. 1.

ASKS NAME CHANGE

A petition asking the Court for a change of name has been filed by John J. Stacko and Mary E. Stacko, his wife, of Washington. They were born in the United States, and wish to change their name from Stacko to Stack. They have two minor children, Harold Wayne Stacko and John Drew Stacko. The Court has set the final hearing for 10 a. m., April 8, 1939

Bride to Be Honored

Miss Joan Martin, Burgettstown, whose marriage to Harold M. Horowitz will take place on Valentine Day, was honored at a bridge shower last Monday night in the home of Miss Mae Rommes, Raccoon. The evening was spent playing bridge with awards going to holders of high scores.

Lunch was served by the hostess who was assisted by her mother. The table appointments were carried out in a color scheme of red and white in keeping with the Valentine season. A miniature bride and bridegroom was used as the table centerpiece. The honor guest received many lovely gifts.

Those present in addition to the honor guest and hostess were Miss Elizabeth McKenzie, Miss Ida Wagner and Mrs. Scopel, of Burgettstown; Miss Sara Ball, Mrs. A. L. Wyke, Mrs. Pete Linden, McDonald; Miss Jane Smiley, Burger; Miss Elsie Neal, Candor; Mrs. Ray Phillips, Mrs. Kyle Work and Miss Ruth Rommes, Raccoon, and Mrs. John Penderville, Primrose.

Jones-Angerer Marriage

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Angerer, of Canonsburg, R. D. 1, announce the marriage of their daughter, Mildred to Norman Jones, of Canonsburg. The wedding ceremony was performed by the Rev. H. W. Best at Wellsburg, W. Va., June 4, 1938. Attendants were Mr. and Mrs. Archie Smith and Clair Martin, relatives of the bridegroom.

JOHN TAGGART

John Taggart, 82, retired carpenter-contractor and a former member of the board of Ohio County, W. Va., Commissioners, died yesterday at 12:55 a. m., at his home on McGraw's Run road, near Valley Grove.

He had been ill some time and had been seriously ill for the past two weeks.

Mr. Taggart was born in Ohio County in 1857, a son of Richard and Elizabeth Mazingo Taggart, and had resided there his entire life. For many years he was engaged as a carpenter-contractor, retiring about four years ago.

Mr. Taggart served as County Commissioner, for two years, 1908-10. He was a member of Roneys Point United Presbyterian church.

Surviving are four daughters, among them Mrs. Henry Armstrong, of Rea, this County. He also leaves one son, of Valley Grove.

The body was removed to the Springer funeral home in Elm Grove. Funeral services will be conducted from the late home today, at 2 o'clock. Burial will be in the West Alexander Cemetery.

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ROBERT FULTON TOWNSEND

Robert Fulton Townsend, one of the highly respected and widely known citizens of Peters Township, died at his home, Venetia, R. D., Tuesday morning at 3:15 o'clock. Death was due to a stroke of apoplexy suffered last Saturday.

Mr. Townsend was one of Peters Township's most successful farmers and member of one of the pioneer clans of the district. His parents were Elijah and Nancy Boyer Townsend. He was born on the farm where his death occurred. He was a member of the Peters Greek Baptist Church, Library.

One niece, Mrs. John C. Johnston, Rea, Pa., and a nephew, Carson Templeton, Houston, Tex., survive.

Funeral services will be conducted at the home Thursday, Feb. 9, at 1:30 o'clock, conducted by his pastor, the Rev. James H. Williams, assisted by the Rev. Clifford Buell, of the Wrights M. E. Church. Burial will be in Peters Creek Baptist Cemetery.

JAMES LAWRENCE MORGAN

James Lawrence Morgan passed away at his home in Mirabile, Mo., Feb. 7, 1939, aged 80 years. A son of the late John and Margaret Thompson Morgan, he spent his early life at Woodrow, Pa. He was married April 19, 1888 to Ella Matcett, who survives with the following children: Lee Ida, wife of Roy H. White, John E. and Luella, all of Mirabile, Mo., and Alice, wife of John L. Virtue, of Denver, Colo.

Mr. Morgan moved to Caldwell County, Missouri, in 1901 and had resided there since. He was engaged in the hardware business in Mirabile for nearly 30 years, retiring only a year ago because of failing health.

In early life he united with the Mt. Prospect Presbyterian Church. He later transferred his membership to the Presbyterian Church at Mirabile, Mo., where he was a ruling elder and where he was a faithful attendant at all church services as long as his health permitted.

Mr. Morgan was a public spirited man, always ready to lend his support to any cause that was for the good of the community in which he lived, church, schools, better roads or any public improvement.

Besides those named he leaves five grandchildren, a number of nephews and nieces both in Missouri and Pennsylvania and a host of friends.

CHARLES WILBERT SCOTT

Charles Wilbert Scott, 69, widely known farmer and civil engineer, died Thursday afternoon, February 2, 1939, at 1 o'clock in his home in Jefferson Township, near Bethel Methodist Protestant Church, after an illness of five months.

Mr. Scott was born July 26, 1869, and was a descendant of two of Jefferson Township's pioneer families. He was a son of the late Susannah Steen and John Franklin Scott. In addition to farming, Mr. Scott had surveyed and plotted land over a wide area and was widely known and respected.

Surviving are two sisters, Laura and Blanche Scott, both at home; one brother, W. Elza Scott, of Steubenville, O.; one uncle, Oliver Scott, of Eldersville, and a number of cousins.

Funeral services will be held in the Bethel Methodist Protestant Church Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock with the pastor, the Rev. Charles Beck, in charge. Burial will be in Bethel Cemetery.

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CHANCELLOR TO ATTEND MEETING OF FOUR LODGES

Joint Session to Be Held Friday in Waynesburg—Waynesburg Lodge Officers Are Installed.

FIRST VISIT IN 15 YEARS

WAYNESBURG, Feb. 15.—The four Knights of Pythias Lodges of Greene County—Pine Bank, Springhill, Graysville and Waynesburg will hold a special meeting Friday night, February 17, in the Eagles club room in Waynesburg, at which Grand Chancellor Commander Gussman will pay an official visit to the Greene County lodges.

It will be the first time in 15 years that a Grand Lodge head will have visited in Greene County.

The meeting Friday night will be in celebration of the 75th anniversary of the national organization, and the 51st anniversary of the Waynesburg lodge, which was disbanded for a few years and was reopened a few months ago.

All the former members of the Waynesburg Lodge are invited to attend Friday night, when a portion of the meeting will be open to the public.

The officers of the Waynesburg Lodge were installed Monday night of this week for the coming term of six years. The installing officer was W. D. Phillips, the deputy Grand Chancellors, and the officers installed were: Chancellor Commander, Samuel P. Weaver; Vice Chancellor, Gordon B. Wood; Prelate, Seymour Fonner; Master of Work, Clyde Howard; Master at Arms, Bryan Jacobs; Master of Finance, G. E. P. Graham; Master of Exchequer, Walter Hiller; Keeper of Records and Seal, Frank B. Hill; Inner Guard, Thomas Finch; Outer Guard, Frank Moore; Trustees, H. C. Stagers, Seymour Fonner and J. L. Barnhart.

GRAND OFFICERS ATTEND MEETING OF 100 PYTHIANS

Gathering Marks Revival of Waynesburg Lodge—H. C. Stagers, Only Living Charter Member, Speaks.

TELLS OF ORGANIZATION

WAYNESBURG, Feb. 17.—Almost 100 members of the Knights of Pythias, representing 12 different lodges in three States, attended a rally tonight and received officers from the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. The meeting was held in Waynesburg Elks lodge room.

Chancellor Commander Samuel P. Weaver, after calling the gathering to order, turned the meeting over to W. W. Wise, of Canonsburg, a special Deputy Grand Chancellor.

Grand Chancellor W. L. Gussman and Grand Vice Chancellor John Rawson were welcomed as special guests. Both spoke, along with other dignitaries of the Order.

The meeting was of unusual interest because the Waynesburg lodge had not been meeting for the last few years and was revived only a few weeks ago.

Attorney H. C. Stagers, of Waynesburg, considered the father of the Waynesburg Lodge due to the fact he helped in its organization and is the only living one of the 36 charter members, spoke briefly, giving interesting reminiscences.

At the close of the meeting, lunch was served.

MICHAEL VADILKA

Michael Vadilka, 49, a coal miner, died at his home in Avella Wednesday morning at 1:50 o'clock, February 22, 1939, after a year's illness. He was a native of Czechoslovakia, and had worked in coal mines in the Avella district for the last 20 years, being employed last at the Leech Farm Coal Co. mine.

Surviving are his wife, Eva Chichwak Vadilka; one daughter, Mrs. Mary Dhayer, of Avella; two sons, Michael, Jr., and John, both of Cleveland, O.; three grandchildren, and his mother, two brothers and two sisters, all in Europe.

Funeral services will be held Saturday morning at 9:00 o'clock at St. John's Greek Catholic Church in Avella with the Rev. Nicholas Elko, the pastor, in charge.

MRS. BERT SIMMONS

Mrs. Bert Simmons, 36, died at her home in Hartford, Conn., Sunday, Feb. 12, 1939, at 10:30 o'clock. Death was caused by a paralytic stroke.

Mrs. Simmons was born in Cross Creek Township. She attended the township schools and graduated from the Hickory High School with the class of 1918. She was later a successful school teacher in the Cross Creek Township schools.

Surviving are her husband, Bert Simmons, Hartford, Conn.; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Moore, East Canton, O., and half-sister, Elba, wife of John Kinemond, Paris, O.

Funeral services were held Friday afternoon, Feb. 17, 1939, at the home of her parents in East Canton, O., at 2 o'clock. Burial was in Minerva Cemetery, Minerva, O.

She was Mary Moore

WILLIAM G. SCOTT

William Galbreth Scott, 79, died at his home at Wellsville, Ohio, Feb. 14, at 5 a. m., after an illness of several months. A son of the late James and Elizabeth Galbreth Scott. Mr. Scott was born March 30, 1859, at the Scott home in Smith Township, this County. He was united in marriage with Mary McCollough, March 26, 1889. He is survived by his wife, one son, James Scott, and one daughter, Mrs. Esther Robinson, and three grandchildren; also by two brothers, Harry C. Scott, New Concord, Ohio, and J. Gregg Scott, Burgettstown.

Funeral services will be held from his late home, 509 Aten avenue, Wellsville, at 2 p. m., Thursday, Feb. 16, with interment in Wellsville Cemetery.

COUNTY TELEPHONE FIRM HAD A SUCCESSFUL YEAR

HICKORY, Feb. 16.—The annual meeting of the Board of Directors of the Hickory-Woodrow Telephone Company was held here recently.

The three retiring members of the board, S. A. Harbison, W. Lee Cowden and James McGugin were reelected to serve for a term of three years.

The company had a successful year. After paying a dividend of \$2 per share they closed the year with a substantial balance.

The officers serving the past year were all reelected. They are: James McGugin, president; C. M. Rea, vice president; W. Lee Cowden, treasurer; V. M. Paul, secretary and Stanton Cunningham, manager.

Mrs. Fonner Is Honored

The Fonner country home at Woodrow, was the scene of a beautifully appointed luncheon last Saturday.

The affair was planned by the Misses Frances Hodges and Mary Marshall, of Pittsburgh, and was given as a surprise for Mrs. Fonner, who had as her house guests over the weekend Dr. and Mrs. Douglas Buchanan, of New York.

Mrs. Fonner, an artist of prominence, has painted the portraits of many well known people and the decorations were appropriate to her work. The place cards were photographs of some of her lovely paintings; the centerpiece for the dining room table was a realistic farm scene, the work of these clever young ladies. About 50 women from Pittsburgh and vicinity were present.

Young Coaster Killed, Another Badly Injured

ROCHESTER, Feb. 23.—(UP)—When their sleds collided with automobiles, one schoolboy coaster was killed and another seriously injured here.

The accidents, which occurred within an hour of each other yesterday, resulted in the death of Lee Owen Pettibon, 7, in Rochester General Hospital and serious injury to Donald Chambers, 6, who suffered internal injuries and a possible skull fracture.

Drivers of both automobiles were absolved in the accidents.

INJURIES PROVE FATAL TO LEE O. PETTIBON

Lee Allen Pettibon, 6, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur R. Pettibon, 474 Heller street, Rochester, succumbed yesterday to injuries received in a coasting accident Feb. 22 near his home. He was born Feb. 26, 1932, and was a second grade pupil.

His father is a well known milk distributor of Beaver Valley. Both Mr. and Mrs. Pettibon, who survive, are natives of Washington County. Three sisters and two brothers survive: La Verne, a student at Pennsylvania State College; George Thomas, William and Freda, at home. Surviving grandparents are Mrs. G. L. Sutherland, Follansbee and Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Pettibon, Eldersville.

Funeral services will be conducted Sunday at 2:30 o'clock in the Rochester M. P. Church.

J. C. BEDILLION, 61, OF HOUSTON, DIES

Supervising Principal of Chartiers Township Schools
Passes Away in Sanitarium
After Long Illness.

PROMINENT CHURCHMAN

James Clark Bedillion, 61, of 113 Cherry avenue, Houston, died in Bedford Sanitarium, Pittsburgh, Saturday morning at 7 o'clock, February 18, 1939, after a protracted illness.

Mr. Bedillion was supervising principal of Chartiers Township Schools. He was born in Chartiers Township, January 1, 1878, a son of James and Sarah McGlumphy Bedillion. Thirty-four years ago he moved to Houston.

After attending Chartiers Township schools, he attended Slippery Rock State Normal School and Bethany College and received his bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Pittsburgh.

He began his long teaching career in schools of Chartiers and South Strabane Townships. Later he was principal of Houston schools for a number of years, taught in Canonsburg High School five years and was supervising principal of Bridgeville schools for five years before becoming supervising principal in Chartiers Township in 1928.

Mr. Bedillion served as tax collector of Houston Borough three terms. He was a member of Houston United Presbyterian Church, and was a member of the session of the church for the last 25 years. He also taught in Sunday School for a number of years and was teacher of the Men's Bible Class at the time of his death.

Surviving are his wife, Carrie Welsh Bedillion, and two sisters, Mrs. John Crumm, of Canonsburg, and Mrs. J. H. Young, of Boyce Station. A daughter, Heloise, died in November of 1936.

Friends will be received at the L. P. Speakman Fernal Home in Houston until noon Tuesday. The body will be removed at 1:30 p. m. Tuesday to Houston United Presbyterian Church, where it may be viewed until 2:30 p. m., when funeral services will be held in the church with the pastor, the Rev. E. L. Haney, in charge. Burial will be in Washington Cemetery.

NOW MANAGER



B. Irwin Emery has recently been named manager of Washington Motor Sales, 65 East Wheeling street, local Pontiac and GMC truck dealers. Mr. Emery has been in the automobile business for the past five years, the last three a salesman at Chartiers Motor Co. He is a graduate of Hickory High School and now is living in Washington.

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CLAIMED BY DEATH



Funeral services were held yesterday for Joseph W. Narrigan, above, prominent retired farmer and former resident of Washington County who died Monday in Wheeling, W. Va., after a brief illness. Mr. Narrigan was born in the Claysville district and resided there until five years ago when he moved to Wheeling. Burial was in West Alexander Cemetery.

JOSEPH W. NARRIGAN

Joseph W. Narrigan, a native of Washington County who resided near Claysville until five years ago, died Monday morning at 3:45 o'clock, February 20, 1939, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. George V. Dawson, 2421 Warwood avenue, Wheeling, W. Va., after a brief illness.

Mr. Narrigan, a retired farmer, was born near Claysville and resided in that district until five years ago when he moved to the home of his daughter in Wheeling. He was a son of the late Jacob and Margaret Grimes Narrigan, and was a member of the Cross Creek Presbyterian Church.

His wife, Effa Clemens Narrigan, died seven years ago. Surviving are two daughters, Miss E. Pearle Narrigan, of Rochester, N. H., and Mrs. Dawson, of Wheeling; one son, Roscoe E. Narrigan, of Claysville; two sisters, Mrs. Anna M. Anderson, of Brilliant, O., and Miss Jennie M. Narrigan, of Wellsburg, W. Va.; four brothers, T. B. and O. B. Narrigan, both of Claysville, and C. E. and D. B. H. Narrigan, both of Avella; one granddaughter, Betty Jane Narrigan, and one grandson, Cyrus J. Narrigan, both of Claysville.

Funeral services will be held in the McCoy Funeral Home, 44 Fifteenth street, Wheeling, W. Va., Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock with the Rev. W. H. McKinney in charge. Burial will be in West Alexander Cemetery.

GETS ROAD JOB



Roy A. Speck, 123 East Katherine avenue, Washington, confirmed a rumor current on the streets yesterday afternoon that he has been ordered to report next Monday morning to take over the duties of Maintenance Superintendent of Highways in Washington County. Mr. Speck has had wide experience as a road worker and is well known as an officer of the Pennsylvania National Guard.

STORM ADDS TO LOSS CAUSED BY THIEVES

BURGETTSTOWN, Feb. 24.—Peter Mirich, of the Burgettstown-Eldersville road, believes that every rain is a downpour. Last Saturday he found the heads of 11 of his chickens in a field near the house. Thieves had visited his coop during the night, and had also carried off 75 pounds of meat from his smokehouse. Then, early Monday morning, the windstorm that swept the county destroyed his corn crib.

MRS. RANSOM M. DAY

Mrs. Minnie C. Day, 68, wife of Ransom M. Day, died Thursday night at 11 o'clock in her home, 250 Donnan avenue, following an illness of a year.

Mrs. Day was the daughter of the late John and Martha Chambers, Amwell Township residents. Her grandfather, James C. Chambers, was an associate judge of the County Courts. She had been active in various organizations, among them being the Dames of Malta, where she was a past protector; Washington Grange, where she was a past lecturer. A member of First Christian Church, she was active in affairs of the organization and for several years was president of the Ladies Aid Society.

Besides her husband she leaves two sons, Clark E. Day and Harold R. Day, Washington; two sisters, Mrs. Ella Johns and Mrs. Margaret Hazlett, south of Washington; and four grandchildren, Morgan Earl Day, Delilace M. Day, Harold R. Day Jr., and Carol Ann Day.

The body has been removed to the A. Blaine Day Funeral Home, 840 Jefferson avenue, where friends will be received and where funeral services will be held Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in charge of the Rev. John W. Love, pastor of First Christian Church. Burial will be in Washington Cemetery. 2-25-39

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HICKORY GIRL IS AMATEUR WINNER

Jean Walters, 16-year-old Hickory High School girl, whistled her way to the \$25 first prize in the Washington Shoe Fund Amateur Show which concluded last night before an audience that jammed Washington High School auditorium to capacity.

March 13, 1939—Edward McDonald, et al., executors of Thomas R. Shane, deceased, to Robert E. Conner, et ux., Hickory, a lot, 50 by 130 feet, Station street, Hickory, Mount Pleasant Township; \$1.

HICKORY PHYSICIAN TO STUDY AT ROCHESTER

HICKORY, March 10—Dr. James Madir, who has been assistant to Dr. D. L. McCarrell, of Hickory, for the past eight months, will take up surgery at Rochester, Minn., on April 1. Before taking up this work Dr. Madir plans to visit his mother in McKeesport.

March 1939
COUNTY LEADER

Independence Township Man Has Operated Thresher for 51 Years

INDEPENDENCE, Feb. 20. — Fifty-one years of operating a threshing machine without a break and still going strong is the record of Elisha Craft, a veteran thresherman who resides one and a half miles southwest of here on the Pennsylvania-West Virginia state line.

In the more than a half century of operating a threshing machine in this community Mr. Craft has never been ill or injured in any way that kept him from turning out the golden grain for his farmer

patrons. He is of the opinion that his record will be hard to beat in either Pennsylvania or West Virginia.

Mr. Craft, now past 71 years of age, last year purchased a new rubber tired outfit of the latest type. He is an excellent mechanic and takes care of his own machinery and makes all repairs. In the winter season he grinds feed, and during the fall after threshing is over grinds apples and presses out pure blended cider at the C. P. Waugh fruit farms.



J. Raymond Henderson, of Hickory, is president of the executive committee of the Washington County Agricultural Extension Association, having served in that capacity for the past two years. The committee will meet Saturday to organize for the new year. Nationally famous as a breeder of Dorset sheep, he has held various offices and is president of the Pennsylvania Sheep Breeders' Association.

Injuries Fatal to Prominent Jefferson Township Resident

McClelland Thomas Boles, well known resident of Jefferson Township, died at 4:30 p. m. Monday, Feb. 27, in the Washington Hospital, of injuries received late Saturday night when struck by an automobile in Eldersville.

At the age of 20 Mr. Boles began a four-year apprenticeship as machinist in the Pittsburgh Locomotive Works, in Lower Allegheny, now Northside, Pittsburgh. Following his apprenticeship he worked one year as a journeyman, and then started to work for the Westinghouse Air Brake Company, on Robinson street, Allegheny. When that firm moved in 1890 from Allegheny to Wilmerding, Mr. Boles went to the new shop as a tool maker and utility man. He was a veteran of the Westinghouse Air Brake Employees' Association.

In 1893, while in Wilmerding, Mr. Boles helped organize the industrial night school which was among the first, if not the first,

such schools in the United States. He was a great admirer of bicycles, and while in Wilmerding took an active part in bicycle road races, and often went on long bicycle trips to visit large cities.

His farm, on which in 1911 he planted more than 4,000 fruit trees of all kinds, was his homestead farm, and he had sold fruit in all parts of Western Pennsylvania, West Virginia and eastern Ohio.

His ancestors were among the early pioneers of Washington County. His great-grandfather, Jacob Buxton, is said to have been the seventh white man who had set foot in Jefferson Township. He took up a 413-acre tract of land, part of which is still in the Boles name: Jacob Buxton and his son, Jacob, Jr., took part in the Indian wars and Whiskey Insurrection. Mrs. Buxton was a renowned woman in the practice of medicine,

and succeeded in curing a government officer and Congressman when other doctors failed.

Mr. Boles was well known throughout western Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Ohio, and had a faculty for remembering both names and faces. He was a Republican in politics but believed firmly in good government. He acquired a large acreage of farm land.

He was never married, and was the last member of the family of Ruth Jackson and William Boles. He was one of nine children.

Surviving are a sister-in-law, Mrs. Isa D. Boles, and one niece, Miss Helen I. Boles, a teacher in the Langeloth School, at Langeloth.

The body will be taken to the home of Mrs. Isa D. Boles, at Burgettstown, and Thursday at 12 noon it will be removed to the Methodist Protestant Church at Eldersville, where it will lie in state from 1 to 2:30 o'clock. At the latter hour funeral services will be held in the church. Burial will be in the Independence Cemetery.

McClelland T. Boles, Jefferson Township; \$1,000 personalty and \$7,500 realty; left to his niece, Helen I. Boles, Burgettstown, to whom letters were issued, in connection with Isa Boles of Burgettstown, sister-in-law of the deceased.

HICKORY MAN KILLED BY MINE SLATE FALL

Charles Kenna, 41, of Hickory, fire boss in the Francis Mine near Burgettstown, met instant death Monday night when he was crushed under a fall of tons of slate.

Kenna had been employed at the Francis Mine only 14 days, and previously had been employed at the Westland Mine of Pittsburgh Coal Company. He had resided at Hickory about two years.

Surviving are his wife; one son, William Kenna, of Hickory, and a brother in Pittsburgh.

The body was taken to the Lee & Wilson Funeral Home at Burgettstown, and today will be taken to Indiana, where the Kenna family formerly resided. Funeral services will be held in the former Kenna home at Osceola Mills Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Burial

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MAN KILLED WHEN HIT BY MACHINE

Dan Rogers, 65, Burgettstown, R. D. 4, Suffers Fatal Hurts When Struck by Car Near Langeloth
Mar 8, 1939
DRIVER IS NOT HELD

Dan Rogers, 65, Burgettstown R. D. 4, died in Washington Hospital last night at 10:40 o'clock. Two hours after he was struck by an automobile while walking on the Eldersville-Burgettstown road, near Langeloth.

Attaches at the hospital said Rogers suffered a compound fracture of the left leg and severe shock. He failed to regain consciousness after being taken to the hospital.

Private H. S. Miller, of the State Motor Police, said Rogers was struck by an automobile operated by Jorace K. Mann, 30, Burgettstown R. D. 4. The driver was not held. He was released on his own recognizance, pending a further investigation.

The body of Rogers, said to have been unmarried and a former coal miner, was removed to the Lee & Wilson Funeral Home, Burgettstown.

TRIPLETS ARE BORN TO COUNTY COUPLE; ONE DIES

3-4-39
Triplets were born late last night to Mr. and Mrs. Hazlett Pierce at their home, Marianna, R. D., but one of the three infant boys died while being rushed to Brownsville General Hospital, at the order of the attending physician.

The other two infants, hospital attaches said, were placed in incubator beds at the hospital and were in "fair" condition. The mother's condition was reported as "fairly good."

The triplets were the first children born to the couple. The first was born at 11:33 p. m., the second at 11:45 and the third at 11:58. Each weighed about three pounds, the hospital reported.

Home From Hospital

Feb 1939
Mrs. Elsie Smith, of Cross Creek Township, who underwent a serious operation in North Side Hospital at Youngstown, O., was able to return to her home Saturday.

Townships Must Determine Location of Their Border

March 1939

Supervisors of Smith and Mt. Pleasant Townships were told yesterday at a meeting held at Hickory that if the border line between the districts was improperly located upon maps of the State Highway Department it was up to them to furnish proof of such an error.

District Engineer S. P. Longstreet, recently named to office, did not attend the conference and was represented by Attorney P. V. Marino, of Washington. Attorney Marino said the border between the townships, as shown on maps of the Highway Department, was accurate according to the records of the department and that proof to the contrary would have to be furnished before a change could be made.

The dispute over the location of the line between the two townships developed back in 1932 when roads were transferred to the State Highway Department for maintenance under the act sponsored by former Senator C. W. Parkinson, Waynesburg.

New maps prepared by the Highway Department at that time changed the line and citizens who believed they were residing in Mt. Pleasant Township suddenly discovered according to the maps they were living in Smith.

The maps published in 1932 changed what had been accepted as the line for fully 80 years. Recent maps continue to show the border changed.

The meeting yesterday was in an effort to arrive at some definite decision regarding the territory. There is no dispute between the Supervisors of the two townships. Residents of the district are paying taxes in Mt. Pleasant Township and sending their children to schools of that district. The Smith Township officials do not object to this arrangement.

However, the officials of the two districts feel that the question of just where the border is located should be definitely decided to prevent probable serious complications in the future.

The territory in dispute contains about five miles of highway and is approximately 2,500 feet deep. It extends from a point at the intersection of the boundaries of Smith, Mt. Pleasant and Cross Creek Townships to the old Seceder Church site on the Leech Brothers farm, thence on a direct line to what was once the popular Smith store in the Cherry Valley district to the intersection of the borders of Smith, Mt. Pleasant and Robinson Townships.

Following the conference the officials of the two townships decided they would definitely seek to establish that the border belonged where residents of the two townships have believed it was located for nearly a century.

NAME HENDERSON FOR THIRD YEAR

Members of Executive Committee of Agricultural Extension Association Elect Officers Here.

March 1939

FARM SHOW COMMITTEE

J. Raymond Henderson, of Hickory, was elected president of the executive committee of the Washington County Agricultural Extension Association at the meeting held here Saturday. The committee was chosen at the gathering of the membership in February.

Mr. Henderson has served as president of the group for the past two years. Other officers elected follow: Vice presidents, D. L. Post, R. D., Dunns Station and James A. Scott, Burgettstown, R. D.; secretary, Mrs. Lawrence Ely, Washington, R. D., and treasurer, C. P. Dille, Washington.

A committee was named to consider plans for the annual farm show, which has proven so successful for the past two years. Members of the committee are R. B. Blaney and Alexander Hamilton Washington R. D.; James A. Scott, Burgettstown and Russell Devore, Thomas.

DEEDS

July 30, 1937, Emma McCalmont to C. A. Laing, et ux., all of Mount Pleasant Township, 5.85 acres in Mount Pleasant Township; \$1.

February 4, 1939, E. Dennis Brown, et ux. Cross Creek Township, to J. Listie Townsend, et ux. Peters Township, 0.1414 of an acre in Cross Creek Township; \$100.

July 20, 1937, Washington Trust Co., Washington, to Alfonso Krezanosky, Cross Creek Township, 137 acres and 88 perches in Cross Creek Township; \$2,500.

March 16, 1939—Giuseppe Rotellini, et ux., to Tedora Rotellini, et ux., all of Jefferson Township, 1.3 acres in Jefferson Township; \$1.

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Moore-Thompson Wedding
The marriage of Miss Mary Virginia Thompson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Denny Thompson, Locust avenue, to James Bennett Moore, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Blaine Moore, Coral Gables, Florida, formerly of Greensburg, took place at noon yesterday at Coral Gables.

The bride wore an afternoon dress of nectarine accordian pleated crepe with a girdle of apple green, and a large hat with crown of nectarine crepe and straw brim of apple green. Her corsage was of orchids. She also wore a hand-carved gold bracelet, given to her by her grandmother, Mrs. James Franklin Thompson, Stokley street.

Miss Mary A. Moore, sister of the bridegroom, as maid of honor, wore a navy blue sheer crepe and a large matching straw hat trimmed in apple green chiffon. Her corsage was of Talisman roses.

E. Blaine Moore Jr. served as his brother's best man.

Following the ceremony, a breakfast and reception was held at Coral Gables Country Club.

Upon their return from a wedding trip to Nassau, Bahama Islands, Mr. and Mrs. Moore will be at home at 620 Minorca avenue, Coral Gables.

Mrs. Moore is a graduate of Washington Seminary and West Virginia University. She is a member of Kappa Gamma, National fraternity for women. The bridegroom attended the University of Pennsylvania, was graduated from the University of West Virginia and is a member of the Sigma Chi fraternity.

Among the parties held for the bride before her marriage was a tea given by Mrs. Moore, mother of the bridegroom, and Miss Moore at their home.

Before leaving for the South, the bride was honored at a series of parties among which was a dessert bridge and linen shower given by Miss Helen Roundtree, Pittsburgh.

MRS. RALPH J. HEMPHILL

Mrs. James Shorts, of West Alexander, received a telegram yesterday telling of the death on Monday, March 13, 1939, of her aunt, Mrs. Ralph J. Hemphill, of Glendale, Calif.

Mrs. Gertrude Maxwell Hemphill was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Maxwell, of Hickory, and was born near Richmond, Kas., 50 years ago. At an early age she moved with her family to Buffalo Village, Washington County, and later resided at Hickory, where she married Ralph J. Hemphill. About 18 years ago Mr. and Mrs. Hemphill moved to Glendale, Calif. Mrs. Hemphill was active in church work all her life.

Surviving, besides her husband, are one son, Robert; and two brothers, Lyle Maxwell, of Fontana, Calif., and Ralph Maxwell, of Longview, Tex.

Arrangements for funeral services have not been completed.

Richards-Bardella Marriage

Mrs. Frosine Bardella has announced the marriage of her daughter, Lydia E. Bardella, to Perry H. Richards of Washington, D. C. The ceremony was solemnized at the First Presbyterian Church of Elkton, Md., on Saturday, March 4, 1939.

The bride wore a three-piece suit of navy blue with cornflower accessories, and a shoulder corsage of gardenies.

After a short motor trip to New York City, the young couple will make their home in Washington, D. C.

March 10, 1939

Fireside Club Meets

Mr. and Mrs. George E. Baker, Hickory, assisted by Mr. and Mrs. John C. Dinsmore were hosts to the members of the Fireside Club of the Mt. Prospect Presbyterian Church Friday evening. War and Brotherly Love was the topic discussed by the Rev. C. S. Thomas. Mrs. E. H. White entertained with a piano solo. Games in charge of the hosts were enjoyed. In keeping with St. Patrick's Day, green predominated in the color scheme in serving refreshments. Those present were the Rev. and Mrs. C. S. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. White, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Carlisle, Dr. and Mrs. E. H. White, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Carter, Mr. and Mrs. Clara M. White, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Stamy, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. White, Mr. and Mrs. John Caldwell, Walter Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Beaumariage, Mrs. Jerome Brice, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Smith, Mr. and Mrs. John C. Dinsmore and Mr. and Mrs. George E. Baker.

April Hickory 1939

Ruth Allison, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willard Allison who is a senior in Wooster College is home for the Easter vacation.

Mrs. J. R. McCracken, who underwent a major operation in the Washington Hospital is reported to be recovering satisfactorily.

Mrs. Parker Wilson who spent the past week with her son, Dr. John S. Wilson and family, New

Bethlehem, was accompanied home by Mrs. John Wilson.

Miss Lois Anne Carter spent Saturday with her cousin, Miss Martha McCarrell.

BORN

To Mr. and Mrs. James C. Wilson, of Rea, in Washington Hospital, on March 20, 1939, a son, James Charles, Jr. Mrs. Wilson was Sarah Craft.

**To Be Searched
Time Dispute**

1939

HICKORY, April 17.—A search of Courthouse files that might have bearing on the dispute boundary between Smith and Mt. Pleasant Townships was authorized at a meeting of supervisors of the two townships, who employed George S. Chaney, former Washington County engineer, to make the search.

Since the first joint meeting, held in February, in Hickory, Samuel

Wilson, Mt. Pleasant supervisor, has secured a county map printed in 1861, which shows the line where it now is, rather than where the maps of the State Highway Department, made in 1932, show it to be. It is believed this map may have much bearing on the matter.

If the search of records brings no definite information, a survey is contemplated, together with whatever court procedure may be necessary to authorize the survey.

JAMES PERRINE

Mrs. Edgar L. Brady, 295 East Wheeling street, has received word from Inglewood, California, of the death of her brother, James Perrine, a native and for many years a resident of Washington County. His death occurred Thursday, April 6. Mr. Perrine, aged about 78 years, had been in failing health for sometime. Burial was at Inglewood.

Mr. Perrine, a son of Mr. and Mrs. John Perrine, was born in Cross Creek Township, where he spent his early boyhood days. For many years the Perrine home was on the Cross Creek-Avella road, where the mining town of Studa now stands. Thirty-five years ago or more Mr. Perrine went to California and since had resided there. He was never married. The following brother and sisters survive: Charles Perrine, Santa Barbara, Calif.; Mrs. C. S. Fleming, formerly of Washington, now of Inglewood; Mrs. Kate White, also of Inglewood, and Mrs. Edgar L. Brady, of Washington. For many years Mr. Perrine had resided with his sister, Mrs. Fleming.

February 3, 1939. William T. Thompson, Jr., et ux., Los Angeles, Calif., to Anna Dellenbaugh, Jefferson Township, 5.25 acres in Jefferson Township; \$1.

ILLNESS FATAL TO MISS NANCY HALL

Woman Prominent in Educational, Social and Religious Affairs of Community Passes Away in Hospital.

FUNERAL TO BE SATURDAY

Miss Nancy Jane Hall, of 252 Locust avenue, passed away Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock, March 16, 1939, in Washington Hospital where she had been taken Wednesday of this week for observation and treatment following a serious illness of several weeks' duration.

Miss Hall was a woman of outstanding prominence in educational, social and religious circles of Washington. She had been identified for many years with the public schools of the City as teacher and in later years as assistant to the Superintendent, a position she was filling at the time of her death.

She was a member and past regent of Washington County Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, and was active in the affairs of the Current Events Club and of the Alumnae Association of Washington Seminary, of which she was a graduate. A life-long member of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, Miss Hall had served as teacher in the Primary Department of the Sunday School and as a member of the Official Board of the church, and was a member of the Sarah Keene Missionary Society and other church organizations.

Miss Hall was a daughter of the late J. Add Hall and Anna Martin Hall, and a granddaughter of the late General John Hall, a Civil War soldier.

Surviving are one brother, John G. Hall, former County Recorder of Deeds and chief clerk to the County Commissioners, and one sister, Miss Helen R. Hall, both of whom reside at the family home, 252 Locust avenue.

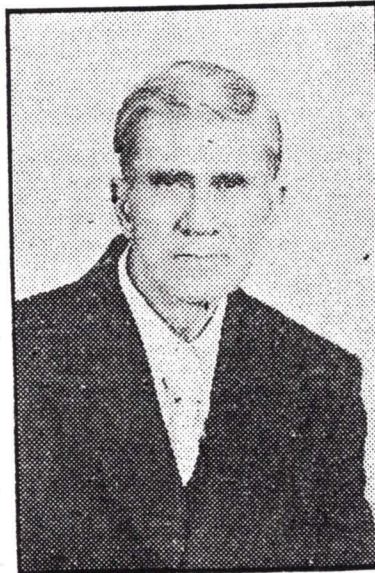
Friends will be received at the home, 252 Locust avenue, this afternoon and evening, and at the W. B. Ritchie Funeral Home in East Wheeling street after 11 a. m., Saturday. Funeral services will be held at the Ritchie Funeral Home Saturday afternoon, March 18, at 2:30 o'clock with the Rev. John S. Allison, pastor of First Methodist Episcopal Church, in charge. Burial will be in Washington. Burial will be in Wash-

ILLNESS FATAL



Miss Nancy Jane Hall, above, for many years a teacher in Washington schools and in later years assistant to the Superintendent of Schools, passed away yesterday afternoon in Washington Hospital after being seriously ill the last four weeks. Miss Hall also was prominent in religious and social affairs of the community, her activities including service as Regent of the County Chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution and as a member of the Official Board of First Methodist Episcopal Church.

SERIOUSLY HURT



George N. Glass, Cecil Township, prominent oil and gas operator of Washington County, was seriously injured yesterday when struck by a clutch bar on a pumping engine while attempting to adjust the machine. He was a candidate for the Republican nomination for Congress last year.

HURTS FATAL TO GEORGE N. GLASS

Prominent Citizen of Cecil Township Was Injured Last Wednesday While Adjusting Oil Well Engine.

SKULL WAS FRACTURED

CANONSBURG, March 31.—George Newton Glass, aged 69, prominent oil producer and farmer, died at the Canonsburg General Hospital at 4:10 o'clock this morning as a result of injuries sustained while working on an engine at the pump station on the Enlow farm in Cecil Township Wednesday morning.

Funeral services will be held Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the Venice U. P. Church in charge of his pastor, the Rev. C. T. Littell, assisted by the Rev. J. B. Wilson of the Covenant Church near Cecil. The body is at the McNary Funeral Home here where friends will be received until noon Monday, after which it will be removed to the church. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

George Glass was said to be the largest individual property owner in this district and one of the largest in the entire county. His properties included extensive farm, dairy, and oil holdings, were amassed entirely through his own industry and work.

Thrifty in his personal habits, he was a generous contributor to charities which he considered to be worthy. The local hospital, the Venice church, and many other institutions and organizations received generous donations from Mr. Glass. In addition he helped through school a large number of young men from this district, most of whom studied for the ministry.

Mr. Glass was interested in public affairs but never aspired to office until announcing as a candidate for Congress as a Republican last year.

Mr. Glass was born on May 27, 1871, in Allegheny County, a son

of Samuel and Margaret McCormick Glass. He had lived in this district all his life, first engaging in the dairy business and later becoming active in the oil production industry. His death resulted from this latter occupation as he was working on a pump engine at one of his wells when the clutch bar became disengaged and struck him on the head. His skull was fractured, death resulting from this injury, together with intercranial hemorrhages and shock.

He is survived by his wife, Irene Isabell Glass, and the following brothers and sisters: Mrs. Herbert McCown of Due West, S. C.; Mrs. Arthur Smith, Lincoln, Tenn.; Mrs. Harry Banks, Beaver Falls; and the Rev. William S. Glass, Wildwood, Fla. A large number of nieces and nephews also survive.

Farm To Eventually Become Property of Venice U. P. Church

An unusual bequest to a church is found in the will of George N. Glass, late of Cecil Township, whose death occurred March 31, and whose estate is estimated at \$63,000 personalty and \$40,000 realty.

Under the terms of the will, which has been probated, at the death of Mrs. Glass the farm which is known as the Caldwell farm, of 87 acres, is to go to the Venice U. P. Church, with provision that it is not to be sold but kept in good repair and use, and the income from it used for church purposes.

George N. Glass, late of Cecil Township; estate estimated at \$63,000 personalty and \$40,000 realty; left to his wife, two brothers and four sisters, with a bequest to the Venice United Presbyterian Church; letters of administration issued to his wife, Mrs. Irene Glass, of McDonald R. D. 3, and the Citizens Trust Co., of Canonsburg.

3-25-39 CHARLES ALVIN JONES

Charles Alvin Jones, 37, Eldersville, died in Washington Hospital at 11:35 a. m. yesterday following a brief illness. He was admitted to the hospital Thursday. The body was removed to the Gilley Funeral Home, Broughton, pending completion of funeral arrangements.

MRS. LYDIA S. SMITH

Word was received at Hickory yesterday that Mrs. Lydia Shillings Smith, 64, for many years a resident of Hickory, died at her home in Canton, O., Monday morning of pneumonia.

Surviving are her husband; one sister, Phoebe, wife of J. A. Allender, of Canton, O., and three brothers, Robert Shillings, of Markelsville, O.; David Shillings, of Washington, and Ray Shillings, of Zanesville, O.

Funeral services will be held at Canton, O., Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. **3-28-39**

On Western Tour

Mrs. Ella Stewart, Hickory, and Mrs. Nettie Anderson, of Pittsburgh, left for a six-weeks' tour of the west and the Golden Gate Exposition. While there they plan to visit cousins in Los Angeles. On their return they will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Stewart, of De Lake, Ore., and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Richards, Dallas, Ore. Continuing their journey home they will visit Mrs. Anderson's son, Dr. James Anderson and family, of Minneapolis, Minn. They plan to stop at Grand Canyon, Arizona.

McCarrell-Williford Wedding

At a quiet home wedding in the presence of members of the two immediate families the marriage of Miss Anne Williford to David K. McCarrell was solemnized at the home of the bride's father in Anderson, South Carolina, at noon, Friday, April 7, 1939.

The ceremony was performed by the bride's pastor, the Rev. Mr. Conner, of Anderson. The bride wore a traveling costume with accessories to match and was attended by her sister, Miss Kathleen Williford. Mr. John K. McCarrell was his brother's best man.

The bride is a graduate of Columbia University and received her Ph. D., degree from Duke University, Durham, N. C.

Mr. McCarrell, son of Dr. and Mrs. David L. McCarrell, Hickory, is a graduate of Washington and Jefferson College, Harvard University and received his Ph. D. degree from Duke.

Mr. and Mrs. McCarrell will reside at Johnson City, Tennessee, where Mr. McCarrell is head of the history department of Milligan College.

To Give Play At Hickory

A three-act play, "A Question of Clothes," sponsored by the Worth White Class of Mt. Prospect Presbyterian Church of Hickory, will be given in Hickory High School auditorium Tuesday night, March 28. Miss Flora Carlisle is directing the play. Dancing and music will be featured between acts. The cast follows:

Hulda Strang, president of "The Literary Idealists," Hannah Martin.

Letitia Strang, her younger sister, Laura White.

Mrs. Hammand Dickson, a novelist, Sadie Marquis.

Mrs. Portia Marlow, widow and dramatist, Helen Caldwell.

Eva Shelley, spinster and poet, Mary D. White.

Lily Barton, niece of the Misses Strang, Wilhelmina Carlisle.

Kitty Barton Lily's "home chum" Myrtle Reedy.

Madge Lawson, Lily's "college chum," Edna Paul.

Jane Parker, a Boston newspaper woman, Jane Smith.

Bridget O'Meara, Miss Strang's cook, Ethel Dinsmore.

BORN

To Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Mayhew, 923 Ridge avenue, North Side, Pittsburgh, at 4 a. m., Friday, March 10, 1939, a daughter, Margaret Ann. Mrs. Mayhew was Marie Helen Herman of Ginger Hill, Bentleyville R. D. 1.

Perfect Score of 300 Is Rolled by Bowler at Avella

AVELLA, April 10, 1939. Jerry Bertanini, of the Avella Recreation six-man bowling team, tonight achieved the "ne plus ultra" of bowling, a perfect score.

Bowling with other members of the team on the local alleys, he rolled 12 straight strikes, for a score of 300.

The next highest score was made by Pete Zuleba, with 228.

Other members of the team are Dr. F. E. Downey, Frank Scouvert, Chuck Ross and John Lestini.

April 20, 1939. Apollonia B. Wilkowsky, et ux., Cross Creek Township, to Frank R. Stritzinger, et ux., et al., Pittsburgh, four tracts of land in Cross Creek Township, containing 110 acres and 72 perches, 1.74 acres, 2.32 acres, 2.613 acres; \$4,500.

22 50th Wedding Anniversary Of Prominent Avella Couple *April 4, 1939*



C. C. CHEESEBROUGH



MRS. CHEESEBROUGH

The 50th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Cheesebrough, well known and respected citizens, of Avella, was celebrated yesterday with hundreds of their friends and relatives calling to extend greetings.

The celebration was held in the Presbyterian Church of Avella. From 2 to 5 o'clock they received their friends and neighbors at a reception. At 6 o'clock a family dinner was served in the church dining room, where they entertained their eight children, 22 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren together with a few invited guests.

Open house was again held in the evening when many more of their friends and neighbors gathered to spend an enjoyable evening with this well known couple.

Mr. Cheesebrough, a son of Truman and Arabella Carey Cheesebrough, was born at Brookeville, N. Y., Dec. 5, 1866. At the age of one year his parents moved to Western Pennsylvania and settled in the McDonald district. Mr. Cheesebrough received his education in the North Fayette Township School in Allegheny County.

Mrs. Cheesebrough, whose maiden name was Nellie B. Hulings, is a daughter of Samuel B. and Nancy Bell Hulings. She was born Nov. 22, 1869, at Montrose, now Blawnox, where she spent her girlhood

days. Mr. and Mrs. Cheesebrough were married April 3, 1889, at the home of the bride's parents, by the Rev. Mr. Mays. Following their marriage they lived near Imperial for a short time, but moved to Cecil that same year. In 1905 they moved to Avella, where Mr. Cheesebrough has been engaged in the lumber business. He has just closed out his business and expects to retire. Three persons who attended the wedding a half century ago attended the celebration

yesterday. They are: M. W. Cheesebrough, a brother and best man at the wedding, now living near Imperial; Mrs. Clara Boyle, a sister of the bride, now living at Verona, and Mrs. Mattie Hastings, of Treveskyn, a sister of the bride.

Mr. and Mrs. Cheesebrough have eight children, 22 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren, all of whom were present except the great-grandchildren. The children are: Ross Cheesebrough, Avella; Mrs. Earl Crowe, Atlasburg; M. A. Cheesebrough, Eilersville; Mrs. Frank Crowe, Monessen; Gordon Cheesebrough, Avella; Mrs. Ray Mitchell, Cliftonville, W. Va.; Mrs. Joseph Johns, Meadville, and James Cheesebrough, Monessen. Mr. and Mrs. Cheesebrough have been active in the affairs of Avella.

Since residing at Avella, Mr. Cheesebrough served as school director of Independence Township for eight years and has served as an elder in the Presbyterian Church since 1918.

More than 100 sat down to family dinner at 6 o'clock. G. P. Shanks, Avella, served as toastmaster. The Rev. J. M. Briceland, friend of the family, gave a humorous talk, and the Rev. R. E. Kaufmann, Cross Creek, gave a reading, "The Family Album". A mixed quartet, Homer Cooke, Mrs. Nettie Dellinger of Cross Creek, Mrs. G. P. Shanks and T. A. Smith of Avella, sang, and was accompanied by Mrs. F. B. Crowe, of Monessen. Mrs. F. B. Crowe and Mrs. Marie Forbes, of Monessen, sang a duet, accompanied by Mrs. D. H. Williams, Avella. A pleasing feature was a song by the three Kaufmann girls and Norma Lee Crowe, accompanied by Billy Kaufmann. Violet Cheesebrough recited the poem, "All the World."

Mr. and Mrs. Cheesebrough received some fine and useful gifts. It was a most pleasant occasion for the well known couple.

REVIVED LODGE WILL HOLD DEGREE WORK

1938
WAYNESBURG, Dec. 23.—Waynesburg Lodge No. 149, Knights of Pythias, which has resumed activity after a lapse of six years, will meet Tuesday evening at the Eagles lodge rooms in West High street.

At that time, a degree team from Canonsburg will give work in the first and second degrees to several candidates from the local lodge. In addition to 25 degree team members and others from Canonsburg, representatives are expected from every other K. of P. lodge in Greene County.

Several former members of the Waynesburg lodge are expected to be present.

Pythians To Honor David C. Vester as a Fifty-Year Member

David C. Vester, charter member of Hancock Lodge No. 231, Knights of Pythias, will be honored at the lodge's 50th anniversary celebration this evening when he will be presented with a 50-year jewel in recognition of his record.

The anniversary observance will be held in the Washington Theater building, starting at 7:30 p. m. and will be open to the public.

A representative of the Grand Lodge is expected to make the principal address. Visitors from Hickory, Canonsburg, Waynesburg and other lodges in the tri-state district are expected to attend.

Officers in charge of the services include Russell Condit, J. J. Briggs, W. A. Proudfit, John Loughman and Dr. C. K. Miller.

50-YEAR JEWEL IS PRESENTED AT CELEBRATION

January 9, 1939
Hancock Lodge, Knights of Pythias of Washington, celebrated its 50th anniversary Wednesday night.

Many out-of-town lodges were represented. Canton and Racine, Ohio; Charlesstown, W. Va.; Graysville, Kittanning, New Kensington, Pittsburgh, Canonsburg, Waynesburg, Hickory and McDonald.

In charge of the meeting was the Grand Vice Chancellor of the Domain of Pennsylvania, Mr. Rawson, of New Kensington. Mr. Terry, Past Grand Chancellor, gave a very interesting talk on the history and present activities of the K. of P.

Other speakers of the evening were: Mr. Paul, Hickory; J. J. Briggs, Washington; Mr. Speakman, Pittsburgh; Mr. Hill, Pittsburgh, who spoke briefly of the youth movement, he being chairman of the Prince of Syracuse Boys movement; W. A. Proudfit, Washington; Mr. White, Hickory; Russell Condit, Washington; the Rev. C. S. Thomas, Hickory; C. K. Miller, Washington.

The highlight of the evening was the presentation of a 50-year jewel

to David C. Vester by Harry W. Ebel, of McDonald, formerly of Washington. Twenty-five years ago Mr. Vester presented a 25-year jewel to Mr. Ebel.

The Knights of Pythias will celebrate the founding of the order 75 years ago, in Washington, D. C., in February.

The Wednesday night meeting was the largest held by Hancock Lodge for a number of years, and was in every way a great success.

Meeting March 28, Williams Hall in the Cause of Pythianism

meeting will be held in the Hall, 3d Floor, Williams Building, Claysville, Tuesday evening, March 28th, 1939, in the interest of Pythianism.

The meeting is the result of a visit to Claysville February 17th, of W. L. Gussman, of Carlisle, Grand Chancellor of the Grand Domain of Pennsylvania, Knights of Pythias; Wilmer Wise, of Canonsburg, district deputy, and A. D. White, of Hickory, active in the lodge at that place. These Pythians held a conference and it was decided to arrange for a meeting. Other activities delayed the date until March 28.

Attending the meeting to explain the cause of Pythianism and show what it means to the welfare of our country, there will be officers of the Grand Lodge present; these are able and instructive speakers. Pythianism has figured in the upbuilding of morality, forwarding the spirit of friendship and working for the benefit of mankind.

There will be entertaining numbers aside from the speakers.

A minister with long record of membership states: "I have always held the Knights of Pythias in the very highest esteem. Its principles and its teachings are practical and sadly needed among men these days."

K. OF P. INITIATION TO BE HELD MONDAY NIGHT

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WAYNESBURG, Jan. 6.—The Waynesburg Lodge 149, K. of P., will hold a special meeting in the Elks Lodge rooms Monday evening, Jan. 9, at 8 o'clock. At this meeting 40 members of the Hickory K. of P. Lodge will be present to put on the degree work. Any K. of P. member in the district is welcome.

Officials to Hear Protest On Smith-Mt. Pleasant Line

Mt. Pleasant Township citizens, who were declared residents of Smith Township in boundary line changes made by the State Highway Department, will hold a protest meeting at Hickory tomorrow and ask that they again be declared residents of historic Mt. Pleasant.

Division Engineer S. P. Longstreet, of Uniontown, of the State Highway Department, will attend the joint meeting of the Road Supervisors of the two districts which will be held in the Pittsburgh & West Virginia Railroad

station, C. C. Coates, station agent being secretary of the Mt. Pleasant Township board.

The change in the boundary line was made in 1932 and affects some 12 to 14 families residing in the area generally described as between the Cherry Valley and Woodrow districts.

A vigorous protest will be made by practically all of the citizens, it was stated. Some complain of the higher debt of Smith Township which they do not feel they should share and others because they feel Mt. Pleasant Township is "their home district."

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MINNIE KASTE

Minnie Kaste, 65, of South Fayette Township, Allegheny County, died suddenly Tuesday night, April 11, at 7:45 o'clock, in the home of Adam Kress, McDonald.

Miss Kaste, born in Furstenburg, Germany, had resided in the Hickory community for a number of years.

Surviving are a sister, Mrs. Anna Kinemond, Toronto, O., and a brother, Herman Kaste, Newaygo, Mich.

Funeral services will be held in the Pettit Funeral Home, McDonald, Friday at 2 p. m. Burial will be in the Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory.

MRS. RAY M'VAY

Mrs. Mary Elizabeth McVay, 46, wife of Ray McVay, died Thursday afternoon, April 13, 1939, at her home at Buffalo. Although she had not been well, death was sudden and unexpected.

Mrs. McVay, a daughter of James H. and Jennie T. Lawrence, was born September 9, 1892, in Washington County. She was married September 17, 1913, to Ray McVay, who survives. She was a

member of the North Buffalo United Presbyterian Church.

Surviving, besides her husband, are two children, James R. McVay, of Buffalo, and Mabel C. McVay at home; three brothers, S. A. Lawrence, of Miami, Fla.; C. T. Lawrence, of Venetia, and W. H. Lawrence, of Taylorstown, and two

grandchildren, Mary Jane and Jimmy McVay.

Funeral services will be held Sunday, at 2 o'clock, in the home, in charge of her pastor, the Rev. Emerson Ray, assisted by the Rev. J. M. Briceland. Burial will be in the Buffalo Cemetery.

WESLEY S. REEDY

Wesley S. Reedy, 68, of Hickory, died in Washington Hospital last night at 9:35 o'clock after a short illness. Born in Summit County, Ohio, Mr. Reedy spent the last 30 years in the Hickory community. He was a member of the Mt. Prospect Presbyterian Church.

Surviving are his wife, Emma E. Reedy; seven children, Lester W., Hiram E., Clair, Mae and Mrs. Minnie R. Cook, all of Hickory; Samuel R., and Arthur C., both of Washington. Three sisters and a brother live in Ohio.

Funeral services will be held in the Mt. Prospect Presbyterian Church Monday at 2 p. m., in charge of the Rev. C. S. Thomas. Burial will be in Mt. Prospect Cemetery. **4-15-1939**

SAMUEL C. GIST

The death of Samuel C. Gist, one of the prominent farmers and sheep breeders of Brooke County, W. Va., residing about three miles west of Independence, occurred at 10 o'clock Monday night, at his home, following a heart attack. He was 87 years old. While Mr. Gist had not been in the best of health the past few years he was active and had been about his farm Monday. After retiring he was taken suddenly ill and death quickly followed.

A son of Joseph and Elizabeth Culver Gist, he was born at the old Gist home on Gist Ridge, March 18, 1852. He is the last member of his family. In 1876 he was united in marriage to Anna Applegate, whose death occurred in 1926. Mr. Gist specialized in fancy sheep and was widely known as a sheep breeder. He was a member of the Franklin M. E. Church.

Surviving are the following children: Attorney J. A. Gist, of Wellsburg; W. C. Gist, County farm agent of Brooke County, residing in the Franklin district; Russell H. Gist, of Morgantown, and manager of the Farm Bureau of that district; Samuel C. Gist, of Los Angeles, California; and Dr. Elizabeth Dozier, a well-known physician at San Fernando, Calif.

Funeral service in charge of the Rev. Mr. Schrader, pastor of the Franklin and Independence M. E. Churches, will be held at the Gist home, Thursday morning, at 10:30 o'clock. Burial will be in Franklin Cemetery. **4-19-1939**

BORN

To Mr. and Mrs. Fred Griffin, Ventura, Calif., Saturday, April 29, 1939, a daughter, Mary Edna. Mr. and Mrs. Griffin formerly lived at Hickory.

To Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Anderson, of Belmont, Mass., a son. Mrs. Anderson was Miss Jane Lee of Cross Creek. **May 6, 1939**

MRS. A. D. BAUMBAUGH

Mrs. Emma Baumbaugh, 81, widow of A. D. Baumbaugh, died in her home at Westland Tuesday night, May 2, 1939, at 6:50 o'clock, after an illness of three months.

She was born in Blair County, September 28, 1859, and she and her husband came to Westland in 1902, being among the first residents of the village. Her husband came as a carpenter when the old Midland Coal Company started to build there. **1928**

Her husband died May 9, 1900. Surviving are her son, Harvey P. Baumbaugh, of Turtle Creek; a sister, Sarah Kensinger, of Orrville, O.; two brothers, Samuel P. Bugler, of Fayette City, and Harvey E. Bugler, of New Salem, six grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

She was a very active member of the Westland Mission, and was also active in its Women's Missionary Society and Women's Bible Class.

Funeral services will be held at 2:30 o'clock Thursday, May 4, in the Westland Mission Church, in charge of her pastor, the Rev. R. L. Stephens and the Rev. Ralph T. Kemper, of the Southside Presbyterian Church, Canonsburg. Burial will be in the Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory.

FRIDAY, MAY 5, 1939

SOCIETY

Wylie-Wilson Wedding

The marriage of Miss Martha Odessa Wilson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Wilson of Hickory, to Marion William Wylie, son of Mathew Wylie of Canonsburg, was solemnized Wednesday afternoon, May 3. The ceremony was performed at 3 o'clock by the Rev. C. S. Thomas, pastor of the Mt. Prospect Presbyterian Church of Hickory, at his home. The bride was attired in a blue traveling suit, with accessories to match and wore a corsage of red rose buds. The bride's only attendant was her sister, Helen Ann Wilson. She wore a suit of gray with matching accessories and a corsage of talisman roses. Wilson Wylie served as his brother's best man. The bride is a graduate of the Hickory Vocational High School in the class of 1935, and was formerly employed at the Continental Canning factory at Canonsburg. The bridegroom is a successful farmer at MsConnell's Mills. After a short trip through the southern states, they will be at their home at McConnell's Mills.

'Bob' Cassidy Spends His 80th Birthday at Office

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BURGETTSTOWN, April 19.—Robert C. Cassidy, one of the representative citizens of Burgettstown, received congratulations from his many friends today, his 80th birthday. Mr. Cassidy is still as active as many persons a score of years younger. He enjoys the best of health and is found at his desk every day looking after his business interests. That was where he was today and where he received his many friends. Long connected with the Masonic organization, for 36 years he has served as secretary of Richard Vaux Lodge of Burgettstown. He was probably the oldest secretary in the point of service in Western Pennsylvania when he retired.

Mr. Cassidy was born in Jefferson Township April 19, 1859. His parents, James and Marie Cosgrove Cassidy, were among the early settlers of Jefferson Township. The father was born on the old Cassidy farm in the year 1825 and died in Burgettstown in 1898.

The grandfather of R. C. Cassidy came to this country from Belfast, Ireland. Mr. Cassidy received his education in the public

schools of Cross Creek Township and Cross Creek Academy, supplemented by a liberal education in the school of experience.

At the age of 25 years Mr. Cassidy left the farm and came to Burgettstown where he engaged in the grocery business. After 10 years in that line of work he became assistant cashier of the Burgettstown National Bank, which position he held until 1903 when he became treasurer of the Burgettstown Trust Co. This bank was later absorbed by the Burgettstown National Bank and later Mr. Cassidy engaged in the insurance business which he has followed ever since. He has served as a notary public since 1913. Mr. Cassidy has been a lifelong Republican and has taken a keen interest in all local affairs, having served 12 years on the School Board, eight years a member of Council, and served his borough for two terms as Burgess.

Mr. Cassidy enjoyed his 80th birthday greeting his old friends and recalling many of the interesting events and incidents of the past.

LOCAL PERSONS HURT IN MISHAP IN OHIO

May 9, 1939

A party of six persons from this district, injured in an automobile accident last week near Zanesville, O., were reported recovering satisfactorily in a hospital at Zanesville yesterday.

They were Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Allender, Bridgeville; Mrs. Oliver Scott and Miss Jane Allender, Hickory, and Mrs. Martha Allender and Mrs. H. B. Allender, Washington. All suffered considerably from shock and bruises when their car collided head-on with another machine en route home from a visit with a nephew of Wilbur Allender, the Rev. Byron E. Allender, of Zanesville.

REV. JOHN M. BETTS

The Rev. John M. Betts, member of the Methodist Conference of Pittsburgh, for 27 years and former pastor of the Beallsville and Fredericktown M. E. Churches, died Monday, after an operation, in the private hospital of a brother, Dr. James Betts, Easton.

Mr. Betts retired from the conference a year ago and went to Albany, N. Y.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Floy Cameron Betts, and two daughters, Mrs. Lee Forney, Lebanon, and Mrs. Frank Schott, Springfield, O.

Funeral services will be held Thursday at his home at Ocean View, Del.

HICKORY GIRL SCOUTS ACTIVE



The troop of Girl Scouts at Hickory was formed 18 years ago under the leadership of Mrs. Mary Downie White, who at that time was a member of the faculty of the high school. Miss Elsie Reed is leader of the troop which is sponsored jointly by the Mt. Pleasant Society of Farm Women and the Women's Club of Hickory. The committee includes Mrs. Alvin White, Mrs. J. C. Ray, Mrs. C. C. Carlisle and Mrs. T. J. White. Strewing of flowers on the graves of war veterans in the Mt. Pleasant and Mt. Prospect cemeteries at Hickory is an annual custom.

Members of the troop appear in the picture as follows:

First row, left to right—Audrey Retzer, Ada Kraeer, Martha White.
 Second row—Louise Spillman, Elaine Reedy, Marian Allison, Lenore Retzer, Lois Carlisle, Martha Jane Alliston, Roberta White, Neva Bosold.

Third row—Julia Belle Scott, Anna Lee Glass, Mary White.

Fourth row—Viola Spillman, Helen Farrar, Martha Ray, Alene Carlisle, Marjorie Caldwell, Patricia Edmonds, Miss Elsie Reed, Scout leader.

meeting May 12, 1939

Fireside Club Question Quiz

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Campbell, Hickory, were hosts to the Fireside Club at the Mt. Prospect Church, Friday evening. The husbands won the quiz on Biblical, musical and historical questions. The score was kept by Alvin White and Kenneth Smith. The evening's entertainment was in charge of Mrs. Clarence Carter. Lunch was served by the hosts, assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Carter. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Alvin White, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Clare White, Mr. and Mrs. Thompson White, Mr. and Mrs. John Caldwell, Mr. and Mrs. Edward White, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Carter, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Reedy, Mrs. Clifford Ray, the Rev. and Mrs. C. S. Thomas, Mrs. Richard Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Jules Beaumariage, Howard Caldwell and sister, Miss Virginia Caldwell, Mrs. Ralph Davis, Donald, Doris and Richard Campbell and Master Billy Reedy.

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W. M. Russell, 88, Works on Farm, Reads Without Glasses

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HICKORY, May 1.—William M. Russell, McDonald, R. D., received the congratulations of his many friends and neighbors yesterday, this being his 88th birthday. Mr. Russell is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Russell and was born in Mt. Pleasant Township on the farm where he has spent his entire life. He takes an active interest in caring for the livestock on the well cultivated farm of 174 acres. Mr. Russell is a staunch Republican and keeps abreast of the times by reading The Observer and latest farm journals without the aid of glasses. His general health is remarkable for one of his age.

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Varney, Cumberland, Md., are visiting the Rev. and Mrs. C. S. Thomas.

Mrs. Elizabeth Cooke visited Mrs. Jennie Lee.

Mrs. Henry Enstrom and infant daughter, Judith Ann, who have been patients at the Washington Hospital, returned home last Thursday.

Lois Anne Carter, who was a patient in the Washington Hospital due to an infection in an ear, returned home on Friday.

J. B. Manson, accompanied by his niece, Miss Mabel White, left on Tuesday for New Springfield, O., where they will visit the former's brother, Lyle Manson and family.

Miss Blanche Cooper, of Belle-

ville, spent the weekend with her sister, Mrs. Alvin White.

Mrs. Moore Stewart and Miss Eila Perrin attended the Mother's Day program at Westminster College, Saturday.

Miss Jeannetta Glass, high school librarian at the New Castle High School, spent the weekend at the home of her uncle and aunts, Howard Glass and the Misses Martha and Clara Glass, McDonald, R. D.

James P. McGugin, student at the Western Theological Seminary, Pittsburgh, and Edward Stewart, student at Westminster College, spent the weekend at their respective homes.

Miss Katherine McDowell, teacher in the Muse schools, attended the California State Teachers' Alumni in the George Washington Hotel on Saturday.

Robert Mayhew, of Monongahela, spent Sunday as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Clare M. White.

Mrs. Robert Law and daughter, Donna Jeane, Cuyahoga Falls, O., visited the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Russell.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Boone visited Mrs. James Rankin and infant son, who are patients in the Washington Hospital.

Mrs. R. L. McGugin, who has been the guest of her son, McElroy Paul and family, of Woodville, is the guest of her son, Vincent M. Paul.

5-10-39
Missionary On Way Home

Miss Isabel Blair, daughter of Thomas N. Blair, of Brownson avenue, missionary teacher in Africa under auspices of the United Presbyterian Church, is on her way home on furlough, but the time of her arrival may not be stated.

Miss Blair's first field was in Abyssinia, but her work there was disrupted by the Italian conquest, and she moved over into the Sudan, and later was assigned to the station at Akobo, some 2,800 miles up the Nile river, and near the British colony of Kenya. Here she was associated with the Rev. Don McClure and family, Mr. McClure being a son of the Rev. E. R. McClure, of Blairsville. The latter is a W. & J. alumnus and well-known locally. The McClures are also enroute home on furlough. They sailed from Alexandria May 2, and are due home now.

Miss Blair is visiting with friends at various stations as she moves down the Nile toward the port at Alexandria. Her plans were to visit Italy, France and Germany on continental Europe on her way home; but there is no certainty now about that part of the trip.

Mr. Blair expects to go early next week to the home of his son, Murray Blair, at Stroudsburg, whence he can go readily to New York to meet his daughter when apprised of the time of her arrival.

FRIDAY, MAY 19, 1939

SOCIETY

Leech-Mitchell Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Mitchell, of near Dallas, W. Va., announce the marriage of their youngest daughter, Margery Jane, to Mr. Harry Leech, Jr., of Avella, R. D. 1. The ceremony was performed at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. Wayne McCord, May 12, 1939 at 8 p. m., the Rev. C. S. De Barr officiating in the presence of the immediate families.

The bride is a graduate of the Triadelphia High School. Mr. Leech is the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Leech, Sr., of Avella, R. D. 1. He attended Taylorstown High School and is now employed at the Mississippi Glass Factory at Washington.

A serenade was held at the Leech home on Wednesday evening, May 17.

Guest From Connecticut

Miss Adah Allison, of Bridgeport Connecticut will be a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Pedicord, of Hickory, this weekend. Miss Allison is president of the Connecticut State Federation of Music Clubs and is attending the national meeting of Music Clubs in Baltimore, Md. She will stop in Hickory for a few days on her way to Erie to visit friends.

MRS. A. M. SELLERS HONORED BY CHILDREN

DEER LICK, May 16.—Mrs. A. M. Sellers was honored when her children and an only granddaughter were home to honor their mother on Mother's Day. At noon a dinner was served to the following: Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Rouch, of Pine Lake, O.; Mrs. C. R. Fettke and daughter, Virginia, of Pittsburgh; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Loughman, of near Dunns Station, James Sellers and Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Sellers. Mrs. Sellers was presented with a number of useful gifts from her children.

COUNTY STUDENTS SCORE IN STATE COLLEGE SHOW

Jay McCarrell, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. McCarrell, Washington R. D. 2, won honors in competition in the Students Dairy Show at State College recently. He placed first in the Holstein cow class judging and in the sweepstakes class of all breeds, with 15 exhibits, he was fourth. McCarrell, a graduate of Hickory Vocational High, is a freshman at State College. In the same show, Miss Margaret Redd, Washington R. D. 4, placed second in the co-ed milking contest.

T. M. McCarrell and family have moved from Hickory to the C. E. Carother's farm.

McDonald Girl to Receive Award at Bethany College

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BETHANY, W. Va., May 11.—Established anonymously this year with the provision that it annually be given to the Bethany college student with the highest academic average in the French department, a new award will tomorrow be given to Miss Gladys Miller, junior class co-ed from McDonald, Pa.

Dr. Bernal R. Weimer, dean of faculty, who will make the award, explained that Miss Miller consistently made the highest grades in the French department.

Miss Miller, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Miller, graduated from the Hickory Vocational High School in 1936. At that time, she was valedictorian of her class. At Bethany College, where she is majoring in French, Miss Miller takes considerable part in extra-curricular activities. Besides being a member of the college French Club, she belongs to the Bethesian Dramatic Club and the college unit of the Young Women's Christian Association.

Miss Miller will receive the award at the annual honor convocation of the college, at which vari-



GLADYS MILLER

ous scholastic prizes for the year will be announced. Miss Miller's award carries with it \$25 award.

MRS. H. L. SNODGRASS

Mrs. Idella Herron Snodgrass, widow of Dr. H. L. Snodgrass, died Monday morning, May 22, 1939, in her home in Buffalo Village. The immediate cause of death was pneumonia and complications, though she had been ill for a long period and had lost her power of sight.

She was a daughter of Samuel and Sarah McCreedy Herron and was born January 3, 1856, in the Governor Ritner homestead, near the North Buffalo United Presbyterian Church. Her early years were spent in Harrison County, O., but in 1881 she moved to the Mt. Hope community, from which she removed to Buffalo. She was married to Dr. Snodgrass on May 3, 1890.

Mrs. Snodgrass was a member of the Upper Buffalo Presbyterian Church, in which her grandfather, father and husband served as elders. For many years she was a teacher in the Sunday School, and was very active in the Woman's Missionary Society.

She is survived by one daughter Ella H. Snodgrass, a member of the faculty of the high school at Braddock, and one brother, Charles E. Herron, of Jefferson avenue, Washington.

Funeral services will be held in the home at 2:30 o'clock Wednesday, May 24, in charge of the Rev. J. C. Briceland, pastor of the Upper Buffalo Presbyterian Church, and the Rev. Joseph Hamilton, a former pastor. Burial will be in the Buffalo Cemetery.

Engaged to Wed

The Rev. and Mrs. Alexander Allison Jr., Bridgeport, Conn., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Adah Smith Alison, to the Rev. Harry W. Pedicord, executive minister of the Church of the Covenant of Erie, and son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Pedicord, Hickory. An early fall wedding is planned.

Miss Alison, a graduate of Wilson College, is associated with the Bridgeport Housing Company and Director of Handcrafts. Prominent in club activities and musical circles of Bridgeport, she is president of the Connecticut State Federation of Music Clubs.

The Rev. Mr. Pedicord received his academic degree from Washington and Jefferson College, Princeton Theological Seminary and Princeton University, and is completing his graduate study at Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio. He is a member of Delta Tau Delta social fraternity, honorary scholastic societies and the American Association of University Professors. Before taking up the duties of executive minister in the Church of the Covenant, the Rev. Mr. Pedicord was assistant minister of the First Presbyterian Church, Bridgeport.

MISS NETTIE BARNES

Miss Nettie Barnes, 70, died at her home, 308 Station street, McDonald, Thursday morning at 3:30 o'clock, May 25, 1939, after a short illness.

Miss Barnes, who had been blind for the last 45 years, as a result of accidental injuries, had resided in McDonald the last six years, moving there from Hickory. She was born in Mt. Pleasant Township July 31, 1868, a daughter of the late William A. and Mary Jane Patton Barnes. Miss Barnes was a member of First Presbyterian Church of McDonald.

Surviving are three sisters, Miss Alice Barnes and Mrs. Albert Gehling, both of McDonald, and Mrs. J. E. Porter, of Washington and one brother, William C. Barnes, of Baltimore, Md.

Friends will be received at the Barnes home until noon Saturday when the body will be taken to the Rogers Funeral Home in McDonald where funeral services will be held Saturday at 1:30 p. m., standard time. The Rev. O. E. Gardner, of McDonald, will be in charge of the service, assisted by the Rev. C. S. Thomas of Hickory. Burial will be in Mt. Prospect Cemetery at Hickory.

Nettie E. Barnes, McDonald; \$650 personalty and \$1,000 realty; left to her sister, Alice M. Barnes; letters to Edward McDonald and J. Nesbit McDonald, of McDonald.

Nettie Barnes, McDonald; \$725 in cash in bank and half interest in note due estate.

TO GRADUATE



Miss Esther Manson, daughter of Mrs. J. L. Manson, of 88 Acheson avenue, Washington, is a member of the class which is to be graduated in June from Westminster College. Miss Manson plans to enter the teaching profession.

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Lamb-Loffert Wedding

The marriage of Miss Vana Elizabeth Loffert, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry N. Loffert, of McDonald, Pa., R. D. 4, and Robert Paul Lamb, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lamb, of Midway, was solemnized at the home of the Rev. Alfred Hubbard, pastor of the bride, on Thursday afternoon, May 25, at 3:45 o'clock, in the presence of the parents of the bride and the bridegroom. The bride wore a boay blue lace dress with rose accessories, and her corsage was of rosebuds and sweet peas. Immediately after the ceremony, the wedding party motored to The Maples, where the wedding dinner was served. After a short mountain trip, Mr. and Mrs. Lamb will reside in the home of the bride's parents.

Ross-Balogh Wedding

Homer Ross and Mary Balogh were united in marriage, May 12, at 4 p. m. The informal, single ring, ceremony was performed by the Rev. Walter J. Ralston in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Rea Dunkle. The young couple left immediately for a short wedding trip. Upon their return they will reside in West Middletown. The bride was a teacher in the public schools of Avella. The bridegroom is an employe of the Ford Motor Co.

JOSEPH WITTMAN

Joseph Wittman, 74, died in his home in Hickory, at 11 o'clock Tuesday night, May 30, 1939, following a long illness.

Mr. Wittman was born in Germany, where he learned the shoemaking trade. At the age of 21 he came to the United States, settling in Hickory, where he worked at his trade in the Joseph Hemphill shoe shop. Later Mr. Wittman purchased the shoe store of his employer.

There are no close relatives in this country.

He was a member of the Trinity Lutheran Church, near Hickory, and held numerous offices in the church.

The body may be viewed at the Vernon Moore home in Hickory from Thursday afternoon until Friday at 10 a. m. Funeral services will be held at 10:30 o'clock Friday morning in the Trinity Lutheran Church, in charge of the Rev. F. S. Eberle, of Canonsburg. Burial will be in the Mt. Prospect Cemetery.

May 2, 1939.

Harlan Bell.....Rea R. D. 1
Kathryn O'Donnell....Rea R. D. 1

Elizabeth B. Pry, Washington; \$6,380.47 in common and preferred stocks, cash in banks, mortgage due the estate and household furnishings.

Dr. Joseph W. Dunbar Is Honored on 70th Birthday

May 29, 1939

Honoring Dr. J. W. Dunbar, the pastor, on his seventieth birthday, the congregation of the Colerain, O., Presbyterian Church held open house Saturday evening at the manse. The event was a complete surprise to Dr. Dunbar who had been away and returned at 7:00 p. m. to find the manse profusely decorated with the season's flowers, and to receive happy greetings from church members and friends who were already assembling.

During the course of the evening, nearly 200, including representatives of most of their families in Colerain district and many from nearby communities called to extend their felicitations and bring gifts and floral tributes. Light refreshments were served by the women of the church.

Dr. Dunbar, a native of Cross Creek, Washington county, began his ministry in the Elderton, Pa., Presbyterian church where he served for nine years. Subsequently, has been pastor of the Chester, W. Va., church 12 years, served for four years as president of the Ingleside seminary, Burkeville, Va., and eight years as head of the Institute of Practical Arts, in Washington county. He left here in 1923 to become pastor of the Colerain church.

Dr. Dunbar is the father of Mrs. Roger K. Patton and Dr. David McCarrell Dunbar of this city, and Joseph Stewart Dunbar of Martin Ferry, O.

JOHN M. WELCH

John M. Welch, 81, died Saturday, June 3, at 2 a. m., at the home of his brother, J. V. Welch, near Burgettstown.

Mr. Welch was born January 3, 1858, and spent his entire life in or near Burgettstown. In 1907 he married Anna Hayes, who died eight years ago.

Surviving are a sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Pry, of Washington, and a brother, J. V. Welch, at whose home he died.

Funeral services will be held in the J. V. Welch home, Monday, June 5, at 2 p. m., in charge of the pastor, Rev. R. C. Sutton. Burial will be in the Fairview Cemetery, Burgettstown.

MRS. JOHN W. PRY

Mrs. Elizabeth Pry, of 1025 Allison avenue, died Monday morning, June 26, 1939, at 2 o'clock in her home. She was the widow of John W. Pry.

She was born March 19, 1860, in Washington County, and was a daughter of Matthew and Hannah Welch.

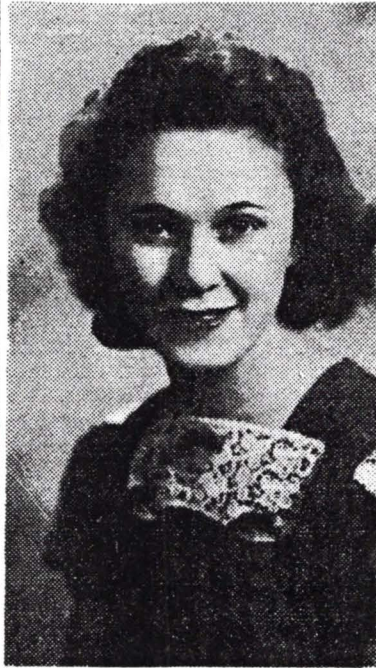
Surviving are one brother, J. V. Welch, of Burgettstown. John M. Welch, her oldest brother, died three weeks ago in his home at Burgettstown. Also surviving are a nephew and a niece, John E. Welch, of New Castle, and Esther Welch, of Burgettstown.

Mrs. Pry formerly lived at Burgettstown, but for the last 15 years had lived in Washington.

Her husband, John W. Pry, was a Civil War Veteran and was formerly postmaster of South Burgettstown. He died 20 years ago.

Funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock Wednesday, June 28, in the home, in charge of the Rev. A. R. Armstrong, of the Third United Presbyterian Church of Washington. Burial will be in the Fairview Cemetery, at Burgettstown.

UNUSUAL RECORD



Pauline Burdess, above, a member of the graduating class of Union High School at Burgettstown, is finishing her high school career with the unusual record of having been perfect in attendance through 12 years of schooling. In addition to making a fine record in studies, she has taken part in numerous activities, including Junior and Senior Class plays, secretary of the Library Club and membership on committees.

Elizabeth B. Pry, Washington; \$6,500 personality and \$4,000 realty; left to relatives; letters to George J. McMullen, Washington.

See name about Joe Wittman in Scrapbook # 3 page 2 & 3

HICKORY YOUTH CRITICALLY HURT

Joseph Wagner, 20, of Hickory, R. D. 1, Has Arm Badly Mangled When Caught Between Two Cars.

June 3, 1939
SIDESWIPED ON CURVE

Joseph Wagner, 20, of Hickory, R. D. 1, was critically injured in a collision of two automobiles about 10 o'clock last night, four miles west of Burgettstown on the road to Eldersville.

Wagner was riding with his left arm out a window of one of the automobiles and sustained multiple fractures of the arm when it was crushed between the two machines as they sideswiped on a bend. A operation was performed at Washington Hospital, but it was feared it may become necessary to amputate the member. Due to the injuries, shock and loss of blood, Wagner's condition was regarded as "critical." He is a son of Joseph Wagner, Sr., of Hickory R. D. 1.

Although full details of the accident could not be obtained, it was said that one of the machines turned over twice after the collision, but that no one else was seriously injured.

Wagner was rushed to the hospital in the Lee and Wilson ambulance from Burgettstown.

BENJAMIN F. HUFFMAN

Benjamin Frank Huffman, Eighty-Four R. D. 2, died at 3:15 a. m. yesterday in Washington Hospital.

6-9-39
Mr. Huffman had been a farmer during the entire period of his life. He was a member of the Zollarsville M. E. Church.

He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth Frye Huffman; four children, Russell R., Lansing, Mich.; Mrs. C. B. Sharp, Hickory; Mrs. J. W. Trantum, Mansfield Depot, Conn.; and Mrs. R. L. Reed, Weirton, W. Va.; three sisters, Miss Nancy Huffman, Bakers Station, confined to her bed at the present time; Mrs. Phoebe Fonner, Bentleyville, and Mrs. Cora Bonham, Amity R. D. 1. Nine grandchildren also survive.

Friends will be received at the A. Blaine Day Funeral Home until Saturday at 2 p. m., when funeral services will be conducted. Final will be in Scenery Hill Cemetery.

BORN

To Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Sherwood, Hickory, Monday, June 12, 1939, at the Washington Hospital, a daughter, Alice Lee.

Entertains Fireside Club

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Thomas, of Oakdale, were hosts to the Fireside Club of the Mt. Prospect Presbyterian Church, Hickory, Friday evening.

June 9, 1939
The Rev. E. Kaufman, Cross Creek was the guest speaker. His subject, "Group Movement and Religion."

The social hour was enjoyed playing games arranged by the social committee. Mrs. Clarence Carter, Mrs. Kenneth Smith and Mrs. James Simpson.

Lunch was served by the hosts assisted by Mr. and Mrs. E. H. White.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. George Baker, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Carter, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. White, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Carlisle, Mr. and Mrs. Clare White, Mr. and Mrs. Thompson White, Mr. and Mrs. Jules Beaumariage, Mr. and Mrs. James Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. Edward White, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Stewart, Rev. and Mrs. C. S. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Rex Downie, Rev. and Mrs. Ralph Kaufman, and Miss Flora Carlisle.

FORMER HICKORY GIRL SEES ENGLISH ROYALTY

1939
HICKORY, June 11.—Miss Mary Jane McGugin, Pittsburgh, formerly of Hickory, was one of the thousands of Americans who were on hand to tender a welcome to King George VI and Queen Elizabeth, of England, when they arrived in the United States at Niagara Falls last week. Miss McGugin is now visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James McGugin, here.

DENNIS GRIGSBY

Dennis Grigsby, aged 79 years, died Saturday night at 6:45 o'clock at his home at 556 Banfield avenue, Follansbee, after an illness of three days. He was a retired farmer.

Deceased was born in Greene County, May 29, 1860, but had resided for 35 years in Brooke County. He moved to Follansbee last April. Mr. Grigsby attended the M. E. Church.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Elizabeth Grigsby, and the following children: Bentley, Carrollton, O.; Earl, Follansbee; Dennis, Jr., of Colliers; Mrs. Cyrus Wells Avella; Mrs. Lester Hall, Colliers; Mrs. Howard Meiser, Lancaster, O.; Mrs. Ernest Gillespie, Eldersville; two sisters, Mrs. Ella Selfing, West Liberty, and Mrs. Lou Hensler, Warwood; five brothers, Hamilton Grigsby, Follansbee; Clark Grigsby, Barberton, O.; Oliver Grigsby, Steubenville, O.; James Grigsby, Chastas, O., and David Grigsby, Wellsburg.

Funeral services will be held at the late residence at 2 o'clock this afternoon, with burial in Oak Grove Cemetery. *6-20-39*

THOMAS BOYD BROWN

Thomas Boyd Brown, 79, died suddenly at his home at Madison, Westmoreland County, Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, June 27, 1939.

Mr. Brown was born at Madison July 19, 1859, and had spent his entire life there, engaging in farming. He was the first president of the First National Bank of Herminie and had served in that position the last 27 years. He was a member of Seano's Reformed Church and of Westmoreland Lodge No. 518, F. & A. M. On Feb. 17, 1887, he married Elizabeth Shoemaker, who died Aug. 20, 1937.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Roscoe Brane, of Washington, D. C.; two sons, Thomas Boyd Brown, Jr., and E. Denny Brown, both of Burgettstown; and 10 grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at the Brown home at Madison Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock, standard time. Burial will be in Madison Union Cemetery.

AIRLINE RADIO OPERATOR VISITS AT INDEPENDENCE

June 29, 1939
Six years service in the Navy, a radio operator on submarines, and now an airline radio operator in New Mexico is the experience of Blanchard Cooper, a native of Independence who is now visiting relatives in Washington County.

Young Cooper, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Cooper of Cross Creek has for the last few days been visiting his aunt, Mrs. Harry Pitman, of Independence. He was born in Independence and after graduating from high school in 1931 joined the Navy and served six years. He has traveled widely while in the Navy and during that time he attended school and served as radio operator on the U. S. Submarines, Narwhal, Nautilus and Barracuda.

He is now employed by the Civil Aeronautics Authority as an airway radio operator at El Morro, New Mexico, 120 miles west of Albuquerque. On June 5, Mr. Cooper was united in marriage to Miss Normandie Modesett of Granger, Texas, and they came east on their wedding tour. After spending some time with Mr. Cooper's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Cooper, of Cross Creek, they expect to start back to New Mexico as he has to be back at his station by July 14.

BORN

To Mr. and Mrs. Alex C. Beaumariage, of Hickory, at Washington Hospital, Wednesday, June 28, a daughter, Priscilla Jayne.

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TO CLOSE THREE MINES IN COUNTY

Notices of Permanent Shutdown Are Posted at Atlasburg—To Close McDonald and Cedar Grove Plants.

OPENED BY JOHN A. BELL

Three of the more than 30 coal mines in Washington County which shut down March 31 due to expiration of the union-operator contract will not reopen, it was learned authoratively yesterday.

The three are the Atlasburg, Cedar Grove and McDonald mines of the Carnegie Coal Company, which normally employed approximately 1,100 men.

Each of the Carnegie mines is to be dismantled, with work to start within a short time.

Notices of the permanent shutdown were posted yesterday on the property of at least one of the mines.

Between 6,000 and 7,000 acres of coal, most of which has not been mined, surround the mines in this county.

The decision to dismantle the mines, it was learned, was made by the Island Creek Coal Company which recently bought out the Carnegie Coal Company properties in this county.

The Island Company, which operates chiefly in West Virginia, put through the purchase primarily to acquire the Carnegie Coal Company's extensive docking facilities on the Great Lakes, it was reported. Under existing conditions the new owners were not interested in operating the three Carnegie mines in this county and decided to dismantle them.

The labor situation was reported to be the primary reason for the decision to abandon operations. Another factor was understood to be that the company can operate its mines in West Virginia at less expense than the three in this county due to more favorable

freight rates, lower taxes, and a better grade of coal there than in the workings in this county.

It is understood the decision also means none of the Carnegie's several inactive mines in this county and Allegheny County will be reopened.

The Atlasburg mine is located in Smith Township; the Cedar Grove mine is in Cross Creek Township, and the McDonald mine is situated just outside of McDonald Borough. The Atlasburg mine employed at least half of the 1,100 men engaged at the three plants.

The Carnegie Coal Company has operated in this county for approximately 30 years. It was founded by the late John A. Bell, former banker at Carnegie.

UNDECIDED ABOUT COAL PROPERTIES

Officials of Island Creek Coal Company May Sell or Lease Holdings in This County.

CLOSING FOUR MINES 1939

PITTSBURGH, May 7.—(AP) — Officials of the Island Creek Coal Company and its subsidiary, Carnegie Coal Corporation, said tonight they likely would reach a decision before the end of the week on what disposition to make of four mines and a large tract of virgin coal in Washington County.

Notices have been posted at the four pits, the Atlas mine at Atlasburg, the Cedar Grove mine at Studa, the McDonald at McDonald and the Oakdale at Oakdale, that the Island Creek concern no longer will operate them. Approximately 1,100 men normally work in the mines, which produce about 1,000,000 tons of soft coal a year.

Joel T. M. Stoneroad, president of Carnegie Coal, said discussions he and other officials are having here have "absolutely nothing at all to do with the labor situation." He said the changes being considered were necessary because of the "generally bad situation in the coal business existing for a long time."

One of the conferees said sale or lease of the properties was a "possibility."

The \$20,000,000 Island Creek Coal Company, with headquarters in Boston, has its principal operations in Logan County, W. Va. It has the best earning record of any operating concern in the industry, having made no less than \$1,000,000 annual profit in 36 years excepting 1932, when it cleared \$934,000.

Last December Island Creek absorbed Carnegie Coal, primarily to acquire that concern's large docks on the upper Great Lakes at Superior and Duluth, Minn.

COMPANY PLANS DISMANTLING OF COUNTY MINES

Carnegie Coal, Subsidiary of Island Creek, Expects to Start Work at Atlasburg and Cedar Grove.

M'GREGOR GETS M'DONALD 1939

PITTSBURGH, May 16.—(UP)— The task of dismantling the Atlasburg and Cedar Grove mines in Washington County and the inactive Oakdale mine, Allegheny County, will be started "within a few days" by the Carnegie Coal Corporation, it was learned today.

Dismantling of the two Washington County mines will mean loss of employment for about 1,000 men, but this may be offset somewhat if Island Creek Coal Company, which last November acquired Carnegie Coal, should go through with possible plans to develop 4,000 acres of virgin coal near Cedar Grove.

A fourth mine, at McDonald, is to be taken over by C. C. McGregor, who will retire June 1 as vice president of Carnegie Coal. This operation will employ about 100 men for a year and a half.

Island Creek Coal's principal reason for acquiring Carnegie Coal was not to gain control of the Washington County property but Carnegie Coal's lake docks at Duluth, Minn., and Superior, Wis., it was reported. The Pittsburgh Company rejected an offer for the docks alone.

Under the new setup, Joel T. M. Stoneroad will remain as president of Carnegie Coal Corporation, which will be a subsidiary of Island Creek.

MAY NOT CLOSE MINES IN COUNTY

Hopeful Statement As to Future of Atlasburg and Cedar Grove Mines Is Contained in Letter.

PROVIDE WORK FOR 1,000 1939

BURGETTSTOWN, July 6. — "I believe something can be worked out either through the bank or through the people there whereby these mines can continue to operate," was the cheering statement for the Burgettstown district contained in a recent letter from R. E. Salvetti, vice president and general manager of the Island Creek Coal Company.

The letter was received by the Rev. Father W. J. McCashin, of Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, in response to an inquiry as to the future of the Atlasburg and Cedar Grove mines which were purchased by the Island Creek firm a few months ago. They have provided employment for approximately 1,000 men in recent years.

It had been announced the mines would be abandoned but pumps are being kept in operation at both plants and none of the essential equipment has been removed.

High taxes and high cost of operation generally are said to be the principal reasons for the Island Creek firm, which purchased the Carnegie Coal Company holdings, not operating in Pennsylvania. The firm desired principally dock facilities of the Carnegie firm on the lakes.

The Lions Club, Business Men's Association, the Washington National Bank and others are interested in the effort to have the mines resume operations.

The zinc plant of the American Zinc and Chemical Company at Langeloth has been operating at a low level due to foreign competition permitted under the reciprocal agreements concluded by the State Department. Repeated protests have failed to bring any change of attitude by the Roosevelt administration as yet.

Halt Dismantling Of Two Coal Mines

ISLAND CREEK TO ABANDON MINES

Mines at Atlasburg and Cedar Grove Are Being Dismantled and Properties Are to Be Sold.

Aug 1, 1939
STRIPPING IS STARTED

Two formerly prosperous mines in Washington County, Atlasburg and Cedar Grove, are to be abandoned by the Island Creek Coal Company.

The mines went to the Island Creek Company, which operates in West Virginia, through the purchase of the Carnegie Coal Company and its holdings, including lake docks. The purchasing company is said not to be interested in operating the coal lands, once owned by the late John A. Bell.

Higher operating costs, including taxes and wages, are said to be the reason the Island Creek firm does not intend to continue operations here at the mines which furnish employment for approximately 1,000 men. Atlasburg is located near Burgettstown and Cedar Grove in the Avella district.

Louis Caplan and Phillip Chambers, of Burgettstown, have purchased some of the equipment about the mines and all iron and steel will be removed and sold as junk, unless a buyer is found within 60 days.

The houses, now the homes of hundreds of miners, will be sold at public auction or razed.

Pennsylvania Railroad engineers made an inspection trip recently and are said to have arrived at the decision it would be impossible to operate the mines profitably at this time.

The Pennsylvania Railroad, through the Manor Real Estate and Trust Company holds the following acreage in that vicinity: Atlasburg, 1,530 acres; Cedar Grove, 1,626 acres; Hickory, 1,401 acres; Patterson Mills, 2,290 acres and Wash, 2,687 acres.

Island Creek Coal Company Orders Stop at Atlasburg and Cedar Grove Pits It Planned to Abandon.

NEW STRIP MINE OPENS Aug 1939

Indicating the upturn in steel and mining industries of the country might have a strong influence in Washington County, the Island Creek Coal Company has ordered that dismantling of the mines at Cedar Grove and Atlasburg, in the Burgettstown-Avella district, be discontinued.

The two plants, which give employment to approximately 1,200 men, were included in the properties sold by Carnegie Coal Company to the Island Creek firm. The latter has operated almost exclusively in West Virginia heretofore.

Some weeks ago the Island Creek officials announced it would be impossible because of the greater cost for it to operate the mines successfully and ordered that they be dismantled.

R. E. Salvatto, vice president of the Island Creek Company, stated during a visit to Burgettstown that former bosses will be given employment immediately and the mines placed in shape for operation if market conditions warrant.

Manager Arthur L. Criswell, of the Unemployment Service office here, announced yesterday he had received similar word.

Impetus given the steel business, due to troubled conditions in Europe, is certain to cause an upturn in employment in Washington County. Steel firms operating in the Monongahela Valley and in Washington, while cautious in their remarks, are more optimistic and hopeful.

The so-called "captive mines" of the Jones & Laughlin, Bethlehem and United States Steel Companies are certain to feel the effect of improved business for the parent firms, it was stated.

Coal mines engaged in supplying local consumers are increasing operations to meet the Fall and Winter demand.

A new coal stripping mine has been started in Jefferson Township on the William and Harriet Kline farm now owned by John Cassidy. Recently Mr. Cassidy sold his farm of 56 acres to Leonard Sasso, Carnegie. About 12 acres can be stripped as the coal is just about 20 feet below the surface.

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June 1939

Attending World's Fair
Mrs. Orpha B. Morrow, Wash-
ington, and sister, Mrs. Bertha E.
Barnes, Eldersville, both teachers
in the county schools, are spend-
ing a 10-day vacation in New York
visiting the World's Fair.

May 1, 1939

To Spend Furlough at Claysville
Dr. and Mrs. Harry Hutchinson,
of Tanta, Egypt, will arrive in
Claysville in the early fall for a
year's furlough and will occupy
the Mrs. Jordan Sutherland home
in "The Meadows." Dr. Hutchinson
is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James
A. Hutchinson, south of Claysville,
and is the head of the American
Mission Hospital in Tanta. Their
many friends will be glad to learn
of their plans.

HURT IN CRASH—SUES

A claim for \$5,000 damage for
injuries sustained while a passen-
ger in a machine that is alleged
to have been struck by the defend-
ant's car, is made in a suit filed
by Sophie Ziemba, of Studa,
against Harry Drake and John
Drake, both of Studa. The acci-
dent occurred November 11, 1938,
about two miles east of Studa, on
the road from Avella to Burgettst-
own. The plaintiff was a passen-
ger in the machine of Walter Ziem-
ba, when, it is alleged, the ma-
chine owned by Harry Drake and
driven by John Drake, came to its
left side of the road and crashed
into the front of the Ziemba ma-
chine. It is claimed that when
Ziemba saw the Drake car coming
to his side of the road he blew
his horn and shouted warnings, but
that it continued on the left side
until it struck the Ziemba car.
The plaintiff avers that she suf-
fered a concussion of the brain, a
sprained right ankle, an injured
back and other injuries.

these operators, the Commissioners
have decided to step in and take
actual possession of all these coal
properties previously sold to the
County or that will be sold at the
forthcoming tax sales so as to pre-
vent the assets from being deplet-
ed or depreciated.

"In view of the improved condi-
tions in the coal industry, the Com-
missioners are of the opinion that
an honest effort should be made by
the various companies owing these
delinquent taxes, and intend to use
every legal method open to them
to compel the payment of these
taxes where the coal owners or op-
erators fail or refuse to cooperate."

**ASK INJUNCTION
AGAINST MINING
ON COUNTY LAND**

Commissioners Take Legal
Action Against Avella Man
Accused of Strip Mining on
County Property.

**PLAN DRIVE TO COLLECT
TAXES FROM COAL FIRMS**

"Every Legal Means" to Be
Used to Force Delinquent
Companies to Bring Pay-
ments Up to Date.

**STATEMENT IS ISSUED
Oct 21, 1939**

Washington County Commission-
ers yesterday petitioned the Court
for an injunction to halt an Avella
man from strip-mining coal on prop-
erty acquired by the County at a
tax sale, and also asked that the
man be required to pay the County
for all coal he has taken and
damage he has done to the prop-
erty.

At the same time, the Commis-
sioners announced they intend "to
use every legal method" to compel
a number of coal companies to pay
back taxes which amount to thou-
sands of dollars.

The equity action was brought
yesterday against Alex Paris, of
Studa, who the Commissioners
charged has been stripping coal for
some time from a large tract in
Independence Township formerly
owned by the Waverly Coal Com-
pany and bought by the County at
tax sale July 2, 1932.

In addition to asking an injunc-
tion to halt the mining of coal, the
County also asked the Court to or-
der Paris to pay for the coal taken
and damage done to the property.

David H. Weiner, solicitor to the
Commissioners, said after filing the
equity action that "the Commission-
ers have indicated they are going
to take steps to collect the thou-
sands of dollars of taxes owed by
many mining companies in this
County."

"The Commissioners are under
the impression," he continued,
"that many of these coal operators
intend to take advantage of the
law, which permits a redemption of
the property within five years when
purchased by the County for non-
payment of taxes, thereby feeling
that in the five year period they
can exhaust all the coal. To pre-
vent this intention on the part of

Mitchell-Coleman Marriage
Mrs. C. H. Coleman, of Hickory,
announces the marriage of her
daughter, Elizabeth to Bryan Mit-
chell, of Washington. The cere-
mony took place Friday, June 23,
1939, at Winchester, Va., with the
Rev. McGavock officiating. Imme-
diately following the ceremony the
couple continued on an extended
trip through the south. Mr. and
Mrs. Mitchell are now at home to
their friends at the home of the
bride's mother at Hickory. The
bride is a niece of Mrs. G. R.
Schaughency, South Jefferson ave-
nue, Canonsburg, and a sister of
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mother at Hickory.

**MRS. CAROLINE KENAMOND
MOWL**

Mrs. Caroline Kenamond Mowl,
59, widow of Frank B. Mowl, died
at her home in Amwell Township,
near Chestnut Ridge, at 7:15
o'clock Wednesday evening, July
5, 1939. She had been in ill health
for several months.

A daughter of Henry and Ros-
anna Driehorst Kenamond, Mrs.
Mowl was born in Amwell Town-
ship where she had spent her en-
tire life. Her marriage with Frank
B. Mowl was solemnized June 7,
1905. Mr. Mowl died two years ago.

Mrs. Mowl was a member of the
Laboratory Community Presbyte-
rian Church.

One daughter, Alice, wife of Wil-
liam B. Scott, at home, survives.
Mrs. E. M. Hazlett, Washington, is
a sister. She leaves four grand-
children, Marilyn, Bernard, Ruth
and Rosalyn Scott.

Funeral arrangements had not
been completed last night and will
be announced later.

May 23, 1938—Bertha V. Sturgis
Plummer, et con., et al., Paines-
ville, O., to Anthony J. Resnick, et
ux., Jefferson Township, 135 acres
in Jefferson Twship; \$1,800.

May 31, 1939—R. M. Thompson,
et ux., et al., Washington, to Effie
H. Whitlow, et al., Cross Creek
Township, two tracts in Cross
Creek Township containing eight
acres and seven perches and five
acres and 219 perches; \$1,250.

Arthur Donati Langeloth
Amelia Mirich, Burgettstown, R. D.
Rudy Tepsic, Burgettstown, R. D. 4
Mary Donati Langeloth

LANTY CUNNINGHAM

Lanty Cunningham, lifelong resident of Jefferson Township, died Wednesday, July 5, at 2:15 a. m., in the home of his daughter, Mrs. C. R. Kidd, near Eldersville, a few days before his 84th birthday.

Mr. Cunningham, a son of George and Hannah Steen Cunningham, was born July 18, 1855, near the Bethel Methodist Protestant Church. He followed farming until 28 years ago, when he moved to Eldersville. He was a member of the Eldersville Methodist Church.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Thomas Knox, of Washington; Miss Grace Cunningham, at home, and Mrs. C. R. Kidd, of near Eldersville. There are 11 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

The body will be at the C. R. Kidd home until noon Friday, July 7, when it will be removed to his own home at Eldersville, where funeral services will be held Friday at 2:30 o'clock, in charge of the Rev. Charles H. Beck. Burial will be in the Bethel Cemetery.

July 7, 1939

DR. KATHRYN W. MCBURNEY

A veteran of a quarter-of-a-century of service as a medical missionary in China and active in the work of clubs and organizations in this district during the past eight years, Dr. Kathryn W. McBurney, aged 73, died at the home of her brother, J. H. McBurney, West Pike street extension, at 10 o'clock Tuesday night. She had been ill for several months.

Born near Midway on March 14, 1866, she was the daughter of the late John R. and Elizabeth Robb McBurney. After graduation from Geneva College she spent eight years as an Indian missionary in Oklahoma. Later she entered the Women's Medical College in Philadelphia and following her graduation went to China in 1903 as a medical missionary. She was a member of the Reformed Presbyterian Covenanter Church of Cecil.

Dr. McBurney served in that field for 25 years, returning here eight years ago to take up her residence with her brother. During the time that she lived here she was active in numerous movements and organizations, especially in the Women's Christian Temperance Union and the Townsend Club.

Surviving are three brothers and a sister. In addition to J. H. McBurney they are the Rev. G. R. McBurney, of Sterling, Kan.; the Rev. W. J. McBurney of Almonte, Canada, and Dr. Jean G. McBurney of Oakland, Cal. The latter has been in Canonsburg for several months during her sister's illness. Two other brothers preceded her in death by a few years.

Funeral services were held in the McNary Funeral chapel yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock in charge of the Rev. J. B. Willson. Burial was in the Oak Spring Cemetery.

J. L. Roberts Returns From a Three Weeks Voyage to Guatemala

7-11-39

After an early summer absence of three weeks, J. L. Roberts, superintendent of County Schools, is again at his office. Accompanied by his wife, Mr. Roberts visited Guatemala, sailing from Philadelphia, being on the water one week each way, and spending the third week touring Mexico's neighbor to the south.

"Of the Central American countries Guatemala is the most friendly toward the United States," said Mr. Roberts. "and there is a distinct lack of cordiality toward Mexico." On the dock at Puerto Barrios, where they landed, it was noticeable that the great bulk of Cargo material was from the United States, and in various governmental departments a definite effort is made to prevent any propaganda favoring the dictator idea.

The coastal region is very warm, but in the higher regions toward the interior the temperature was very pleasant. Their tour took them to an elevation of more than 10,000 feet. The party traversed many miles of the Pan-American highway over Guatemalan territory.

On the return trip their vessel carried 39,000 stems of bananas, and some 500 sacks of coffee. They were due at Philadelphia at 10 a. m. Sunday, and at exactly 10 o'clock their ship was warped into its slip at the home wharf.

HOLLIE MORRISON

Hollie Morrison, 39, of Lange-loth, died Monday morning at 9:15 o'clock, July 17, 1939, in Mercy Hospital, Pittsburgh, of pneumonia following a brief illness.

Mr. Morrison was born March 24, 1900, and had resided at Lange-loth since 1917. He had been employed by the American Zinc and Chemical Company the last 22 years.

Surviving are his wife, Louise; his mother, Ada Reed, of Clarksburg, W. Va., two sisters, Mrs. A. B. Wilson, of Clarksburg, W. Va., and Mrs. George Kerr, of Jackson-ville, Mich.; and two brothers, John and Wayne Morrison, both of Clarksburg, W. Va.

Funeral services will be held at the Morrison home Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock with the Rev. Harold S. Giffen, pastor of Lange-loth United Presbyterian Church, in charge. Burial will be in Mt. Prospect Cemetery at Hickory.

Fireside Club Holds Picnic

The Fireside Club of the Mt. Prospect Church, Hickory, held the second annual picnic and outing on Friday evening, July 21, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Caldwell, Hickory, R. D. with Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Stewart assisting.

Amusements centered around the ball game for the grown-ups and a large swing for the children. Later in the evening all enjoyed the picnic dinner served by the hostess Committee.

Those attending were: Mr. and Mrs. Richard Thomas, Rev. and Mrs. C. S. Thomas and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Carlisle and family, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Carter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Smith and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Beaumariage and family, Mr. and Mrs. John C. Dinsmore and family, Mr. and Mrs. Clare White and family, Dr. and Mrs. E. H. White and family, Mr. and Mrs. Thompson White and daughters, Martha and Mary Vale, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Henderson and family, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin White and family, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Campbell and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Caldwell and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Stewart and family.

Guests present were Mr. and Mrs. William McCalmont, Mrs. Gaily Wilson and children, Suzanne and Bobby, Mrs. Elizabeth Phillips, Mrs. Alvin Stewart, Virginia Caldwell, Patricia Edmunds, Martha Ray and Billy Phillips.

AVELLA CHILD HIT BY BALL BAT, BADLY HURT

July 14

Mary Ellen Dorisio, aged four and one-half years, daughter of Alphonse Dorisio, Avella R. D. 2, is in what was described last night by Washington Hospital attaches as a "poor" condition after being struck by a ball bat yesterday in Penowa.

The Dorisio child, admitted to the hospital yesterday at 9:10 p. m., suffered a fractured skull, it was reported.

BORN

To Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Borland, of East Beau street, in the Washington Hospital, on Friday, July 28, 1939, a son, John Bradford Borland. Mrs. Borland is the former Miss Jane Cowden, of Hickory.

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VO-AG LEADER



John P. Parkinson, son of the late Prof. Harry G. Parkinson, of Pennsylvania State College, has been named to head the newly established Vocational Agriculture Department of Chartiers Township Junior High School. His father served in the same capacity at Mt. Pleasant Township High School and was a member of the well known Parkinson family of this district.

VO-AG TEACHER AT CHARTIERS

At a recent meeting of the Board of Education of Chartiers Township Junior High School, John P. Parkinson was elected to head the newly-established vocational agricultural department of the school.

Mr. Parkinson is a son of the late Harry G. Parkinson, former supervisor of vocational agriculture at Mt. Pleasant High School, Hickory, and later filled the position as head of the Rural Education Department of the Pennsylvania State College.

Mr. Parkinson is a graduate of the State College High School and received a B. S. degree in agriculture education from Penn State in June of this year. He has had wide experience in agriculture work and was employed by the U. S. Department of Agriculture for one year.

Like all supervisors of vocational agriculture, Mr. Parkinson is employed for 12 months and he has already started in organizing his work in Chartiers.

TEST-TUBE CALF IS REPORTED BY HERSHEY FARMS

New Jersey Veterinarian Conducting Experiment Reports Animal Five to Ten Pounds Above Normal.

BETTER LINES IS HOPE 1939

HERSHEY, July 28.—(AP)—An experiment in test-tube breeding at the Hershey Industrial School Farms resulted today in the birth of a calf under conditions reported "normal in every respect."

Dr. Harry W. Herriott, New Jersey veterinarian who is conducting the experiment, said 18 other heifers are carrying calves in one group of 19 bred by artificial insemination.

The female Holstein calf weighed 90 pounds at birth, five to 10 pounds more than the usual weight. Its sire furnished the impregnating fluid last October 17.

The breeding of test-tube calves is comparatively new in America. Dr. Herriott said. The work at Hershey is patterned after the experiment begun at Flemington, N. J., by the New Jersey Holstein Friesian Association a year ago.

Better blood lines are hoped for through the wider use of proven bulls.

MRS. ANNIE C. NEWMAN

Mrs. Annie C. Newman, of Cross Creek, widow of Henry Newman, died at 6:15 o'clock Friday night, July 28, 1939, after a short illness.

Mrs. Newman was born February 13, 1860, at Greensburg.

Surviving are the following children: Mrs. May B. May, of Carnegie; William W. Newman, of Ingram; Mrs. Rose A. Carroll and Ralph S. Newman, both of Cross Creek, and Mrs. Louise M. Gordon, of Avella. There are 12 grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Monday, July 31, at 2 o'clock, E. S. T., in the home of her son, Ralph S. Newman, of Cross Creek, in charge of the Rev. Ralph E. Kaufman, of the First Presbyterian Church of Cross Creek. Burial will be in the Cross Creek Cemetery.

GUN DISCHARGES; MAN, 50, KILLED

Coroner Lists Death of Henry Utah, Atlasburg, as Accidental Shooting — Body Is Found by Wife. August 1, 1939 WAS CLEANING REVOLVER

Mrs. Oriole Utah, calling her husband to supper, found him dead late yesterday afternoon in their home at Atlasburg, a bullet wound near the heart.

Coroner James B. Jones said the husband, Henry Utah, 50, a night watchman for the Island Creek Coal Company and operator of a small service station near his home, accidentally shot himself while cleaning a revolver.

Coroner Jones said oil and cleaning rags were on a table in the kitchen of the home and the revolver on the floor beside a chair in which Mrs. Utah found her husband slumped shortly after 4 p. m. The body was removed to the Lee & Wilson Funeral Home at Burgettstown.

Mr. Utah was born in Holland November 25, 1889. He was a member of the Cross Creek Presbyterian Church. Surviving are his wife and a son, Oliver, at home. Funeral services will be held in the home Thursday at 2:30 in charge of the Rev. Ralph E. Kaufmann. Burial will be in Mt. Prospect Cemetery.

BURGETTSTOWN FAIR TO BE PRIVATE VENTURE

BURGETTSTOWN, Aug. 3—The Union Agricultural Association will not conduct a fair at Burgettstown this year.

The famous exhibition, oldest in point of continuity in the Tri-State district, will be conducted, however, as a private enterprise by Clint Roberts, who announced this week he had negotiated a lease for the grounds.

Roberts announced he will conduct a Country Fair Sept. 6, 7, 8 and 9.

1939
This was the last fair held at Burgettstown

DEATH CLAIMS HAMILTON POST

Prominent and Respected
Farmer and Churchman of
Washington County Dies
Here at Age of 83 Years.

AN ELDER FOR 40 YEARS

Hamilton R. Post, 83, prominent and respected Washington County farmer and churchman, died last evening at 7:50 o'clock at the home of his son, Homer S. Post, 44 Highland avenue. Mr. Post had been seriously ill for the past 10 days.

Mr. Post was a lifelong resident of South and North Franklin Townships. He followed farming for many years and was well known as a grower of sheep and later dairying.

A life-long member of the Bethel Presbyterian Church at Van Buren, Mr. Post served as superintendent of the Sunday School for 30 years and for 40 years had served as an elder.

A son of the late Stephen and Anna Ringland Post, Mr. Post was born in South Franklin Township and resided there until 1924 when he moved to his late home in North Franklin Township. A brother, Joseph Weir Post, and a sister, Anna,

died in infancy. Another brother, John N. Post, died in 1909.

Mr. Post married Sarah Ann Lindley in 1879. Her death occurred in 1934, a year following their celebration of the 55th anniversary of their marriage. Surviving children are: D. L. Post, Van Buren; Homer S. Post, 44 Highland avenue; Mrs. Grace L. Elliott, Locust avenue; Mrs. Levina A. Gray, Forge Apartments and William Francis Post, in Butler. He leaves 12 grandchildren and eight great grandchildren. He leaves a sister, Mrs. Mamie I. Lindley, Shirls avenue and a brother, F. B. Post, of the hardware firm of Paul & Post, this city.

Friends will be received at the Post home on the Prosperity pike, two and a half miles south of Washington. Funeral services will be conducted Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock by the Rev. S. W. Young, of the Bethel Presbyterian Church. Burial will be at Prosperity.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Weiss, Squirrel Hill, Pittsburgh, a daughter, on Sunday, August 6. Mrs. Weiss will be remembered as Miss Dorothy Swartz, of Hickory. Anna Swart, of Pittsburgh, visited Jennie Farrar and Mrs. Hattie Scott.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Cooke, Burgettstown, R. D., attended the funeral of Mrs. Cooke's mother, Mrs. Bell, at Pierceton, Ind.

Reedy-Davidson Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Davidson, of Washington, R. D. 3, announce the marriage of their daughter, Hilda, to Clair A. Reedy, son of Mrs. Emma Reedy, of Hickory. The marriage was solemnized Wednesday, August 9, 1939, at the parsonage of the Methodist Church of Stevens City, Va., by the Rev. Homer Welch. They were attended by the bride's cousin, Marie Moore, of Washington, R. D. 1, and Anton Rupar, of Southview.

Birthday Party Held

Mrs. Orlan Miller, Hickory, R. D. gave a party in honor of her daughter Betty, on her seventh birthday. An enjoyable afternoon was spent by Betty and her guests on the lawn after which they also enjoyed the delicious lunch served by her mother, assisted by Mrs. Clifford Craft and Florence Miller. The little guests left numerous gifts. Those present were Wilma and Ruth Bedillion, Mary, Dorothy, Billy and Ruth White, Henry and Barbara Cole, Lois Anne Carter, Bobby Bates, Gladys Sheets, Warren Bedillion and the Joseph sisters.

CROSS CREEK SCHOOLS TO OPEN ON SEPT. 5

CROSS CREEK, Aug. 15.—Schools of Cross Creek Township will open for the 1939-40 term Sept. 5, according to O. C. Mundell, supervising principal of township schools.

The following teaching staff has been announced for the year:

- Cross Creek No. 1, Hazel McNelly; Cross Creek No. 2, Helen Brownlee; Cross Creek No. 3, Alice Chapman; Cedar Grove No. 1, Lavina Allen; Cedar Grove No. 2, Viola Johnson; Cedar Grove No. 3, Julia Krezanosky; Cedar Grove No. 4, Harry Wilson; Patterson Mill, Mary Irene Myers; Beech Knob, Hazel Carter; Willow Valley, Genevieve Colwes; Avella No. 1, Lena McConnell; Avella No. 2, Mrs. Mary Balogh Ross; Avella No. 3, Jane Brown; Avella No. 6, Elizabeth Murzyn; Avella No. 7, Jane Wilson; Avella No. 8, Harold Meighen.

Tuttle-Morgan Wedding

At a garden ceremony solemnized Thursday evening, August 10, Ethel Marie Morgan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Morgan, McDonald, R. D. 3, became the bride of Lawrence G. Tuttle, son of Mr. and Mrs. Brice Tuttle, of Cross Creek. The ring ceremony was performed at 6:45 by the Rev. C. T. Littell, D. D., pastor of the Venice United Presbyterian Church. Preceding the ceremony, Mrs. G. M. Quivey, Venice, played "I Love You Truly" and rendered the Lohengrin wedding march as the bridal party approached the improvised altar where the ceremony was performed.

Nature's own setting was used as the background for the nuptial service with the bridal party standing in front of a large blooming hydrangea which was flanked on either side with shrubs and garden flowers.

Wearing a princess gown of white satin with full court train, the bride was given in marriage by her father. Her long veil of tulle was secured with a wreath of lilies of the valley and she carried white roses.

Evelyn Morgan, sister of the bride, as maid of honor, was gowned in peach taffeta and her flowers were Talisman roses. The bridesmaids, Miss Hazel Carter and Miss Hazel Tuttle, both of Cross Creek, the latter a sister of the bridegroom, wore similarly fashioned frocks and held arm bouquets of pink roses. Miss Carter chose blue chiffon, and Miss Tuttle appeared in blue lace.

Patty Lou Morgan, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Morgan, of Cadiz, O., as flower girl, wore white taffeta and carried pink roses. Albert Yeager, of Cross Creek, was Mr. Tuttle's best man.

A reception and luncheon followed the ceremony, and later the couple left on a honeymoon trip which will include the Shenandoah Valley and other points of interest. Upon their return they will reside in their newly furnished home in Cross Creek.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Tuttle were graduated from the Hickory Vocational School. Mr. Tuttle is an

employe of the Manufacturers' Light & Heat Company.

Sixty-five relatives and friends of the young couple attended the wedding, those from most distant points including: Mr. and Mrs. Howard Morgan and daughter, Patty Lou, of Cadiz, O.; Mr. and Mrs. John Johnson and son, Teddy, of Coatesville, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Burkett, Colliers, W. Va.; Miss Ruth Hyser, Iford Milliron and son, Hilbert; Mr. and Mrs. Lester Pettit and daughters, Ruth and Pauline, and son, Clifford, Pittsburgh; and Mrs. John Freshwater, Wireton, Pa.

Announces Engagement

Mrs. Wesley Reedy, of Hickory, announced the engagement of her daughter, Miss Mae Reedy, to Mr. Harold Ray, of Washington at a party given Tuesday evening in the home of the bride-elect's sister, Mrs. Raymond Cooke.

The following classmates of the bride-elect were present: Misses Evelyn Retzer, Lois Schwab, Lorraine Paul, Gladys Miller, Dorothy Smith, Thelma Frye, Mary Struth, Margaret Kunsky, and Mrs. Martha Miller. Mrs. Reedy was assisted by Mrs. H. E. Reedy, Mrs. S. R. Reedy, and Mrs. Raymond Cooke. Miss Reedy is a graduate of Hickory High School and is associated with McCann Co., of Washington.

Mr. Ray, a ceramist, associated with the B. F. Drakenfeld Co., is the son of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Ray, of Stillwater, Okla. They have chosen August 2 as their wedding date.

Ray-Reedy Wedding

The marriage of Miss Mae Reedy daughter of Mrs. Wesley Reedy, Hickory, to Harold Ray, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Ray of Stillwater, Ohio, was solemnized Wednesday, August 2 at 4 o'clock. The Rev. C. S. Thomas, pastor of the Mt. Prospect Presbyterian Church, at his home in Hickory.

The bride wore a blue lace dress with white accessories and a shoulder corsage of pink roses and blue delphinium. She was attended by her sister Mrs. Raymond Cooke, who wore a rose lace dress with white accessories and a corsage of talisman roses and baby breath. G. E. McNary of Washington served as best man for Mr. Ray. Mrs. Ray is a graduate with the class of 1936 of Hickory High School. At present she is with McCann's Co., Washington. Mr. Ray is a graduate of Oklahoma Agricultural Mechanical College and is now associated with the B. F. Drakenfeld Co., of Washington. After a short wedding trip, Mr. and Mrs. Ray will be at home to friends at their apartment, East Beau street, extension, Washington.

BORN

To Mr. and Mrs. John Piri, Jr., Eighty Four, in Washington Hospital, Saturday, August 19, 1939, a daughter, Edith Katherine. Mrs. Piri was formerly Katherine Alexander. Mr. and Mrs. Piri, Jr., are former residents of Langeloth.

JERRY POST, 69, WELL KNOWN FARMER, IS DEAD

1939

WEST ALEXANDER, Aug. 16—(Wednesday)—Jerry Post, 69, well known farmer of the West Alexander district, died at 1:15 a. m. today at his home, West Alexander, R. D. 2. He had been ill since February.

Mr. Post, widely known in the county as a stock raiser, was a member of the Claysville Christian Church, a prominent member of the Washington County Grange and a director of the West Alexander Fair Association.

Mr. Post was a native of Washington County, and was born in Donegal Township on a farm adjoining the one where he made his home.

Funeral services have not been completed.

JERRY POST

Funeral services for Jerry Post, 69, well known Donegal township farmer, who died at his home near West Alexander early yesterday morning, will be held Saturday, August 19, at the late home at 2 p. m., in charge of the Rev. Jacob Ruble, Jr., pastor of the Pigeon Creek Presbyterian Church. Burial will be in West Alexander cemetery.

Mr. Post was well known in the vicinity as a farmer, stock raiser, member of the Claysville Grange, director of the West Alexander Fair, and loyal member of the West Alexander Presbyterian church.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Anna Francis Post, one brother, Charles C. Post, and one sister, Martha C. Post, all of West Alexander.

MRS. WILLIAM J. HUBER

Mrs. Victoria Huber, 67, of Rev. wife of William J. Huber, died suddenly at her home 10:30 o'clock Tuesday night, August 15, 1939.

Mrs. Huber was a daughter of the late George and Mary Henry Thompson, and was born in Canada. She had resided in Cross Creek Township the last 30 years.

Surviving, besides her husband, are one son, Leopold Huber, of Southview; one daughter, Margaret Huber, of Washington; one grandchild, Robert Wewit Huber, of Washington; and two sisters, Mrs. Mary Beatly and Mrs. Ida Smith, both of Steubenville, O.

The body was taken to the Thompson Funeral Home at Avella and will be taken to the Huber home Friday morning at 10 o'clock, where services will be held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock with the Rev. R. E. Kaufman, pastor of Cross Creek Presbyterian Church, in charge. Burial will be in Chestnut Ridge cemetery.

Bride-Elect Is Honored

Miss Florence Retzer, of Hickory, whose engagement to Richard Zoog, Canonsburg was recently announced, was honored by the Misses Flora Carlisle and Alverda Scott when they entertained in the former's home on Tuesday evening. Three tables of bridge were in play and honors were shared by the honor guest, Miss Florence Retzer, Miss Marthetta McCarrell and Mrs. Clifford Carlisle. The hostesses served a delicious lunch.

Miss Retzer is a graduate of Indiana State Teachers College, Indiana, and a successful teacher in the Mt. Pleasant Township Schools.

Miss Retzer's marriage will be an event of Saturday, September 2.

The guests present were the honor guest, Miss Florence Retzer, Miss Anna Lyle, Miss Marthetta McCarrell, Mrs. Harold Scott, Mrs. Richard Thomas, Mrs. Jerome Zoog Mrs. Wilson Denny, Mrs. E. H. White, Mrs. Clifford Carlisle, Mrs. Raymond Cooke, Miss Lois Acheson, Mrs. Charles Colwes and the hostesses, the Misses Flora Carlisle and Alverda Scott.

Hickory Scouts Enjoy Outing

Troop 1, the Hickory Girl Scouts with Miss Elsie Reed Scout leader, returned on Saturday evening from a week spent at Conneaut Lake. Hiking, swimming and fishing were the outdoor sports enjoyed on this

outing. The day the girls spent at Pymatuning dam was an enjoyable occasion and in the museum the girls were especially interested in the collection of the birds of North America.

The Scout activities is sponsored jointly by the Women's Club of Hickory and the Society of Farm Women. Mrs. Mary D. White, president of the Women's Club of Hickory accompanied the girls on the outing and assisted Miss Reed in chaperoning the girls.

The troop has a membership of more than a score of members and aside from the Scout training, the girls have aided in worthwhile projects. Upon completing the re-binding of a number of song books at the Mt. Prospect Church the girls are engaged in preparing an exhibit to be displayed at the community-school fair.

The girls at the outing were: Alene Carlisle, Marjorie Caldwell, Mary White, Patricia Edmunds, Louise Spillman, Julia Bell Scott, Mary Helen Farrar, and Marion Allison.

BORN

To W. Howard and Freda Morris Thompson, of Avella, in the Washington Hospital, Monday, August 14, a son, William Howard.

Harold Ray died Jan. 3, 1972

Wedding Date Set

Miss Adah Smith Alison, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Alexander Alison Jr., Bridgeport, Conn., has set Wednesday, August 23, as the date for her marriage to the Rev. Harry William Pedicord, executive minister of the Church of the Covenant, Erie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Pedicord, Hickory.

The ceremony will take place at 4 o'clock in the First Presbyterian Church, Bridgeport. The Rev. Dr. Alison, father of the bride-to-be, assisted by the Rev. Valentine Smith Alison, Tolland, Conn., a brother of the bride-to-be, will perform the ceremony.

Miss Alison has named as her attendants Mrs. Walter Earl Witsil, a twin sister, who will serve as matron of honor, and another sister, Miss Christine Alison and Miss Grace Pedicord, a sister of the bridegroom - to - be, bridesmaids. Mary Katherine Alison and Katherine Brockway will be flower girls.

The Rev. David R. Bluhm, Amity, will act as best man for the Rev. Mr. Pedicord, and ushers will include Robert Norton Brockway Jr., Stratford, Conn.; John Alison II, Milford, Conn.; the Rev. Harold A. Scott, Harrisburg; George T.

Rockrise, Erie, and Edgar S. Stem Jr., Stratford, Conn.

The Rev. Mr. Pedicord was graduated from Washington and Jefferson College and Princeton Theological Seminary. He is a member of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity.

wedding veil. The bride carried a shower type bouquet of white gardenias, stephanotis and orchids. Mrs. Walter Earle Witsil, formerly Miss Elizabeth Smith Alison, twin sister of the bride, was matron of honor. She wore a cornflower blue lace dress modeled after the bride's dress with a large bodice and bouffant skirt with net insertions. She wore a blue taffeta hat with face veil, and carried a bouquet of pale pink delphinium with touches of blue delphinium. Miss Christine Alison, sister of the bride, and Miss Grace Pedicord, sister of the bridegroom, were bridesmaids. Their gowns were of pink point d'esprit with princess necklines and bouffant skirts trimmed with cornflower blue bow. They wore pink net hats with blue taffeta streamers. Their bouquets were of dark blue delphinium with touches of pale pink. Flowergirls were Mary Katherine Alison and Katherine Anna Brockway, nieces of the bride. They were gowned in white net accordion pleated dresses with cornflower blue velvet sashes and hairbows. They carried tiny baskets of variegated flowers. The Rev. David R. Bluhm, of Amity, was best man. Ushers were John Alison, II, Milford, Conn., brother of the bridegroom; Robert Norton Brockway, Jr., Stratford; Edgar L. Stem, Jr., Stratford, and the Rev. Harold L. Scott, Harrisburg. Auxiliary ushers were Franklin V. Coville, Murray H. Chapin, G. Stearns Bushnell, Horace Dennia, Harry H. Read, Alvin H. Hancock, Frank B. Lucas, Meade W. Patterson, Martin A. Hotham and Walter Earle Witsil, all of Bridgeport. The bride was escorted to the altar by her eldest brother, Alexander Alison, II, of New Milford. A bridal reception was held immediately following the ceremony in the Sunday School hall of the church, with the parents of the bride and bridegroom assisting in the receiving. The bride's mother wore a white chiffon dress with a white hat and carried a corsage of orchids. The mother of the bridegroom wore a white lace dress, a white hat, and carried a corsage of orchids. The Sunday School hall was decorated with white roses, palms and white gladioli made into an improvised bower. Music was furnished by a string quartet composed of Frank Foti, conductor of the Bridgeport Symphony; Carl Larsen, John Patuzzi, and E. Rhey Garrison. Following a motor trip through New England, the newlyweds will be at home after October 1 at 306 West Ninth street, Erie. The bride wore as a going away outfit a Maggy Rouf model wine crepe dress with a St. Cry model wine-colored hat with matching accessories and a corsage of orchids. The bride is a graduate of Central High School, Bridgeport, and of Wilson College, Chambersburg. She was formerly

rental agent for the Bridgeport Housing Company and past president of the Connecticut State Federation of Women's Clubs. The bridegroom is executive minister of the Church of the Covenant, Erie, a graduate of Washington and Jefferson College, of the Theological Seminary of Princeton University, and of Western Reserve University of Cleveland, O.

MRS. A. G. BRADEN

Mrs. Alfred G. Braden, 80, one of Washington's well known women and a member of a prominent West Virginia family died yesterday at 8:20 a. m., in her home in South Franklin Township, after a long illness. Her death was not unexpected. She had been in poor health for a long period, and during the past three weeks her condition had been serious.

For more than half a century Mrs. Braden had resided in Washington and vicinity. Born in Wheeling, W. Va., May 18, 1859, a daughter of the late John H. Hall, she came from one of the old and prominent families of that section of the mountain state. Her early life was spent in her native city, where she graduated from the old Wheeling College, after attending the public schools.

United in marriage 53 years with Alfred G. Braden, a member of one of Washington's well known families of more than a century past, she came to Washington, where she had lived ever since. Forced by ill-health to retire from many activities, she had lived a quiet life during the past few years, and several years ago the family located in the present home in the Point Lookout section, in a beautiful location at the head of No. 4 Dam of the Citizens Water Company.

She was a member of First Methodist Church, of Washington, and of the Current Events Club.

Besides her husband she is survived by the following children: Ida Braden Hill, Mooresville, Ala.; John M. Braden, Washington, and Ann R. Braden and Edith D. Braden, both at home. One sister, Mrs. C. A. Williams, Baltimore, Md., also survives. Three children, Alfred, Laura and Irene, are dead.

Her son, Major Alfred G. Braden Jr., died four years ago while in the United States Army. During the World War he served as First Lieutenant of Company H, 110th Infantry. Her surviving son, John M. Braden, is postmaster of Washington.

Six grandchildren survive as follows: Ida Hall Hill, James G. Hill Jr., Alfred Braden Hill, John M. Braden Jr., Catherine Ann Braden, and Ida Hall Braden.

Friends will be received at the late home until Saturday at 2:30 p. m. when funeral services will be conducted by the Rev. John S. Allison of First Methodist Church. Burial will be in Washington Cemetery.

MONDAY, AUGUST 21, 1939

SOCIETY

Pedicord-Alison Wedding

Miss Adah Smith Alison, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Alexander Alison, Jr., of Bridgeport, Conn., became the bride of the Rev. Harry William Pedicord, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Pedicord, of Hickory, at a ceremony performed at the First Presbyterian Church of Bridgeport, by the father of the bride and the brother of the bride, the Rev. Valentine Smith Alison, Tolland, Conn., on Wednesday, August 23, at 4 p. m., before an altar decorated with palms, lilies and white gladioli. Miss Florence Haskin, church organist, played a program of nuptial airs during the hour preceding the ceremony. The bride was gowned in a white lace bodice with "V" neck and long sleeves pointed over the back of the hand, and a lace bouffant skirt with net insertions extending from the waist to the train. A finger-tip veil fell over the face from a pearl coronet trimmed with orange blossoms from the bride's mother's

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Henry Carl, Independence Township, Marks 91st Anniversary of Birth

Aug 22, 1929

Henry Carl, perhaps the oldest citizen of Independence Township, celebrated the 91st anniversary of his birth Monday at the home of his son, Grover Carl, where he has been making his home.

Despite his advanced age, Mr. Carl is active and enjoys excellent health. He has worked a large garden all summer and is now preparing to go to Nova, O., where he will visit two daughters, Mrs. Ira Moore and Mrs. Sadie Vaughn, who reside there.

There was no formal celebration

for Mr. Carl but during the day many of his friends, young and old, called to pay their respects to him.

Mr. Carl is a native of Germany, having been born in Hanover, Germany, August 21, 1848. He came to this country with his parents at the age of eight and for more than 55 years has been a successful farmer in Independence Township where he and his sons own more than 800 acres of land, all joining.

Mr. Carl has nine children living, 23 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

Morrison-Liggett Wedding

The marriage of Miss Mary Elizabeth Liggett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Liggett, Avella, to Charles R. Morrison, son of John H. Morrison, Washington, R. D. 5, was solemnized Saturday in the home of the Rev. Samuel W. Shane, pastor of Second United Presbyterian Church. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Mr. Shane at 11 o'clock. 8-26-39

The bride, who was unattended, wore an afternoon gown of burgundy and rose crepe and a corsage of pink roses and lilies of the valley.

Following the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Morrison left for a wedding trip in Canada and the New England States. Upon their return to Washington, they will be at home on North Main street extension.

Mrs. Morrison studied two years at Johns Hopkins Hospital School of Nursing, Baltimore, Md. Mr. Morrison, supervisor of the Vocational Agricultural Department of Trinity High School, is a graduate of Pennsylvania State College.

Independence

AVELLA, Aug. 24.—J. D. Polen, secretary of Independence Township School District, announces that the various schools in the district will open Monday, Aug. 28, with Prof. T. A. Smith in charge.

High school staff is Miss Hazel Brush, assistant principal; Miss Janet Bemis, history; Miss Josephine Boarts, home economics; Donald Duvall, mathematics; Miss Ruth Huffman, French; Virgil Hutchison, social studies; John Kolycheck, mathematics and English; Robert McGregor, music; Robert Orndoff, science; Miss Mabel Peacock, physical education; Ralph Porter, social studies; Miss Olive Scott, commercial; Clarence Smith, art; Miss Eleanor Weisel, geography; Max Zaninelli, physical education.

Elementary staff is: Avella Heights, Grade 5, Miss Frances Roman. Highland Avenue, Grade 1, Miss Betty Simeral; Grade 2, Miss Evelyn Smith; Grade 3, Miss Lillian Jones; Grade 4, Miss Mary L. Brady. P. & W., Grades 1 and 2, Mrs. Emma Lowry; Grades 3 and 4, Miss Lucile Buxton; Grades 5 and 6, Miss Faye Keenan. Independence, Grades 1 to 6, John Caldwell.

Engagement Announced

Mrs. Jerome Zoog, Hickory, entertained at a bridge luncheon in her home at which the announcement of the engagement of her sister, Miss Florence Retzer, of Hickory to Richard Zoog, Canonsburg, was announced. During the afternoon, five tables of bridge were in play and first, second, low and draw prizes were won by Miss Pearl Powelson, Miss Marthetta McCarrell, Mrs. Raymond Henderson and Mrs. William McLaughlin, respectively. The announcement of Miss Retzer's and Mr. Zoog's engagement was cleverly concealed in a nut shell bearing the date of September 2. Cut flowers predominated in the house decorations and miniature bouquets in small vases were used for favors at the delightful luncheon served by the hostess assisted by Mrs. Ella Worsing, Mrs. William McLaughlin, and Miss Helen Retzer. Those present were: Mrs. Ella Worsing and daughter, Miss Emma Worsing, of

LaJose; Mrs. Carl Bauman, of East McKeesport; Mrs. William McLaughlin, Houston; Mrs. George Hoop, Mrs. Alvin Carter, Miss Flora Carlisle, Miss Pearl Powelson, Miss Marthetta McCarrell, Miss Elsie Reed, Miss Mary Simpson, Miss Alverda Scott, Mrs. Richard Thomas, Mrs. Raymond Henderson, Mrs. C. M. Colwes, Mrs. E. H. White, Mrs. Jules Beaumarrage, Mrs. Henry Enstrom, Mrs. Wilson Denny, Mrs. Raymond Cooke, Miss Anna Lyle, Miss Helen Retzer, Miss Lois Acheson Mrs. Lawrence Boone Mrs. Jerome Zoog and the bride elect, all of Hickory.

Reception for Newlyweds

A reception was held Saturday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Liggett, of Avella R. D. 2, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Morrison, of North Main street extension, who were united in marriage August 26. The evening was spent in games. Lunch was served by the hostess, Mrs. Liggett, assisted by her daughter, Mrs. Wray Jones, of West Middletown; Mrs. Kenneth Liggett, of Detroit, and Mrs. Bessie Jones, of West Middletown. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Liggett and family, of Detroit; Robert Vance, of Avella; Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Ugron, of Avella; Mrs. Bessie Jones, of West Middletown; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Meyers, of Independence; John H. Morrison, of Washington; Mr. and Mrs. Wray Jones and son Bobbie, of West Middletown; Miss Jean Morrison, Robert Morrison, Donald Morrison, and Harold Morrison, all of Washington. The honor guests received many gifts.

HICKORY BARN IS DESTROYED

Fire of Unknown Origin Razes Frame Structure on Farm of Sam Gallo in Mt. Pleasant Township.

DAMAGE SET AT \$2,000
1939

HICKORY, Aug. 11—A fire of unknown origin completely destroyed a barn on the farm of Sam Gallo, Mt. Pleasant Township, about one-half mile from Hickory late last night. Damage was estimated at \$2,000.

The blaze was discovered by neighbors about 11 p. m., and the Hickory Volunteer Fire Department summoned.

The blaze had gained too much headway and the fire fighters were helpless to do anything. No other buildings were close enough to be endangered.

It was learned that the barn was empty of all live stock and machinery. It was formerly equipped for dairying, and had recently been repaired.

The damage was covered by insurance.

A dwelling on the same property, which is the old James A. McIlvaine farm, was destroyed by fire in January, 1938. As in the case of tonight's blaze, the flames were too far advanced to be checked when the fire company arrived.

A terrible explosion of a boiler occurred at the main pumping station of the Babbett oil field, near Florence on the farm of Mrs. Nancy Burns last Wednesday evening, January 22. Three men were left in charge of affairs and about 7 p. m., Mrs. Nancy Burns and Miss Nettie Barnes were passing and were invited to look at the machinery. They demurred, saying that they thought it was dangerous. But upon being assured that there was no danger, they went on. Almost a miracle that all were not killed. Mrs. Burns was so badly injured that she died the next evening and Miss Barnes and Mr. Brady, engineer, are in a critical condition. The two other men present were slightly injured. The buildings and boiler are a total wreck. The exact cause of the disaster is not known.

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JOHN E. DOWDEN DIES SUDDENLY

Prominent Burgettstown Man, Spanish War Veteran, Former Constable and Gold Mine Promoter, Is Dead.

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BURGETTSTOWN, July 23.—John Edward Dowden, prominent citizen of Burgettstown, died suddenly at 7 o'clock this evening while talking with his brother, Campbell, of Burgettstown, and his daughter, Marian, who, with her husband, George Pollock, of Studa, was spending her usual weekend with her father.

Mr. Dowden was born in Hickory, February 26, 1872. He was a son of David Jefferson Dowden, who died in 1913, and Caroline Elizabeth Dowden, who died in 1915.

He served in the Spanish-American War, enlisting June 16, 1898, with Company C, 14th Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteers, and saw service in Cuba. He received an honorable discharge February 28, 1899. He was a member of David H. Welch Camp 117, United Spanish-American War Veterans, of Canonsburg.

Mr. Dowden was active in the original promotion of the Pewabic Gold Mining Company of Cripple Creek, Colo., and spent several active years there. After returning home he was employed by the Peoples Natural Gas Company, in its oil fields.

Becoming interested in local politics, he served 12 years as constable. For all his life he was an active Democrat, and for the last eight years was a Democratic committeeman.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Ruth Clements and Mrs. George Pollock, of Studa; and the following brothers and sister: David Campbell Dowden and Charles Lee Dowden, of Burgettstown; Mrs. Jessie Belle Reed and Mrs. E. G. McGregor, of Washington, and Jefferson Vance Dowden, of York.

Funeral services will be held at 2:30 o'clock Wednesday, July 26, in the home of his brother, David Campbell Dowden, of 335 South Main street, Burgettstown, in charge of the Rev. R. C. Sutton. Burial will be in the Fairview cemetery.

Class Holds Annual Picnic

About 60 members and guests of the Worth While S. S. class of the Mr. Prospect Presbyterian church of Hickory, attended the annual picnic at the home of Mrs. C. A. Woods on the Washington road, Wednesday evening. The class has four teachers, A. C. Stamy, Mrs. C. S. Thomas, Mrs. H. L. Martin, Mrs. H. D. White. The business session was in charge of the president, Mrs. G. E. Baker, and devotions led by Mrs. John Herron. At 6 o'clock a picnic dinner was served on the spacious lawn by the hostess committee consisting of Mrs. C. A. Woods, Miss Jane Allender, Mrs. Walter McPeak, Mrs. John Caldwell, Mrs. J. F. White, Mrs. Elsie Smith, Mrs. G. B. Wilson, Mrs. H. L. Martin, assisted by Mrs. H. D. White, Mrs. J. C. Dinsmore, Mrs. S. O. Scott, Mrs. J. E. McIlvaine, and Mrs. R. A. Wilson. Other members present were Mrs. D. T. McAllister, Mrs. J. Y. Dinsmore, Mrs. H. C. Warne, Mrs. S. E. Miller, Mrs. J. R. Henderson, Mrs. V. M. Paul, Mrs. W. K. Allison, Mrs. V. M. Smith, Mrs. C. S. Thomas, Mrs. C. R. Marquis, Mrs. G. A. Hoop, Florence Miller, Mrs. C. C. Carlisle, Mrs. G. E. Baker, Mrs. James Caldwell, Mrs. T. Williams, Mrs. E. S. White, Mrs. Claire White, Mrs. W. S. Scott, Mrs. A. C. Stamy, Mrs. H. E. Reedy, Mrs. John Herron, Mrs. R. G. Livingood, Mrs. Lloyd Davidson, Mrs. J. M. Stewart, Mrs. D. F. Miller, Mrs. H. H. Reed, Mrs. J. C. Ray, Mrs. G. A. Ahrns, Mrs. W. M. Carlisle, Mrs. D. I. Philips, Mrs. G. A. Amos, Mrs. Collar, Mrs. Edna Foster, Mrs. Grace Kraer, Mrs. A. D. White, Mrs. William Proudfit, Mrs. T. L. McCarrell, Mrs. W. C. Campbell, Mrs. Vance Caldwell, Mrs. D. Shannon, Mrs. John Holmes. Guests present were Rev. C. S. Thomas, Mr. A. C. Stamy, Mrs. H. B. Allender, Mrs. J. W. Alderson, Mrs. Annie McIlvaine, a former teacher, Mr. C. A. Woods, Ralph Woods.

REUNIONS

IAMS

Dennis Iams reunion was held at the "Wayside Farm" at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dinsmore, at Wind Ridge, on July 4. A picnic dinner was served on the lawn. A birthday cake was presented to Oscar Iams, who is the oldest member of the family group. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. John Robb and children, Mr. and Mrs. Doan Iams and daughter, of Mt. Lebanon; Mr. and Mrs. John Kelly, of Waynesburg; Mr. and Mrs. Homer Sutherland and son, of California; Mary Iams and Martha Ealy, Mr. and Mrs. Judson Iams and son, Washington; Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Iams, Mr. and Mrs. John Iams, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Estel and daughter Burnita, of Sycamore; Mr. and Mrs. Orange Scherich and son, of Nineveh; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dinsmore and son.

CRAWFORD

The country home of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Wilson, Gamble Station, was the scene of the annual reunion of the family of Mr. and Mrs. D. Q. Crawford, Canonsburg. Picnic dinner and supper were served. The afternoon was spent in games. Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Crawford and daughter, Hazel; Mr. and Mrs. Melville Crawford and daughter, Peggy Ann; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hetrick and son, Kenneth, Jr., all of Homewood; Mr. and Mrs. Howard Morgan, son, Howard, Jr., and daughter, Patty, of Cadiz, O.; Mr. and Mrs. D. Q. Crawford, Miss Louise Dunn, and Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Swan, Canonsburg.

REA

The descendants of C. C. and Catherine Cook Rea held their annual reunion at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Leyda, of Eighty Four. Eighty-five descendants and friends assembled at the Leyda home at noon to enjoy a dinner served buffet style. A business meeting followed at which the president, C. M. Rea, presided. The officers were elected as follows: C. M. Rea, president; Mrs. H. C. Scott, vice president; Elizabeth Harper, secretary; Lester Lee, treasurer. The remainder of the afternoon was spent in games and different forms of entertainment. Those present were from Columbus, Cadiz, Oakdale, Dormont, Washington, New Philadelphia,

Cross Creek, Burgettstown, Bulger, McKeesport, Newark, and West Middletown.

REUNIONS

M'BURNEY

The McBurney clan and families allied by marriage held their annual reunion Thursday at the McDonald Women's Club, at McDonald, with more than 80 present. Registration and exchange of greetings and making new acquaintances were in order until all were summoned to the spacious dining room, where the table committee had prepared a fine dinner. The invocation was given by the Rev. S. A. McCollam, pastor of the First U. P. Church of McDonald. In the afternoon Bert McCartney, president, called for order and called on Rev. Joseph McCalmont, of Pittsburgh, to lead in prayer. Officers chosen were: President, Miss Agnes Dickson, of Crafton; vice president, Mrs. Sarah Purdy, of Coraopolis; secretary, Miss Elizabeth McBurney, of Canonsburg; and register, Miss Marthetta McCarrell, of Hickory. A memorial honoring Dr. M. Reed McBurney, of Los Angeles, and sister, Dr. Katherine McBurney, who died at the home of her brother, John H. McBurney, in Canonsburg, recently, was prepared by Rev. J. B. Wilson and read by Jennie McBurney, of Canonsburg. Greetings were sent to Mr. and Mrs. James M. Wallace, of Midway, who, due to illness, were unable to be present. A leading feature of the program was songs sung by Alvin, Alice and Barbara, children of Rev. and Mrs. Alvin W. Smith, of Rose Point, Annette, a daughter, of Rev. and Mrs. Smith, sang two solos. Another musical event was the singing of "Shall We Meet Again," which was sung by the McCartney family at the first reunion in 1891. A letter written in 1865 by Martha McBurney McIlvaine to her cousin, Mrs. McCartney, was read by a daughter, Mrs. James Meely, of Bozeman, Mont. Greetings were given by Mrs. Meely, who traveled along 2,100 miles to attend the reunion. Other greetings were given by Rev. Joseph McCalmont and brother, John McCalmont, both of Pittsburgh; A. O. and Harper McCartney, of Coraopolis; James H. McBurney and John T. Moore, of Canonsburg. James H. McBurney, of Canonsburg, nearing his 80th birthday, was the oldest person present. He and John T. Moore have attended all reunions of the clan. Eighteen members of the clan who were present at the first reunion 48 years ago were present Thursday. The youngest present was Carroll Ann, eight-week-old daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Herbert McCartney, of Wilkinsburg. Those present today are descendants of John McBurney, who was born in County Down, Ireland, in 1740. Soon after his marriage to Sarah Hunter, they sailed to America in the first boat arriving after the signing of the treaty of

peace ending the Revolutionary War, in 1783. They settled in the northern part of Washington County, and fought with other Scotch-Irish pioneers in defending their homes and loved ones against hostile Indians and ferocious beasts. This couple became the parents of nine children. Through intermarriage the names of the McCartneys, Dicksons, Wallaces, Cleavers, McCalmonts, Millers and Donaldsons are all found in the clan. A supper concluded the reunion.

CHEESEBROUGH

The annual Cheesebrough reunion was held on Sunday, August 13, at Maple Grove Park on Route 22. Forty-seven of the clan were present and nine visitors including the following: Miss Peggy DeZok of McDonald, Miss Barbara Kaufman of Port Royal, Milbours Gillespie of Eldersville, John Wilson of Clinton, Miss Irene Ewing of New Sheffield, and Miss Mary Virginia Russell of Langeloth. This reunion was the 16th to be held, the first one being in 1923. Four generations were represented; C. C. Cheesebrough, and his son, Gordon Cheesebrough. Mrs. Martha Cheesebrough Reasons and small son, David Reasons. A picnic dinner was served, after which the business meeting was held. Officers were elected as follows: President, Robert Giles of McDonald; vice president, Mrs. Frank B. Crowe of Monessen; secretary, Evelyn Cheesebrough of Imperial; treasurer, Nesbit Descutner of Oakdale. It was agreed to hold the next reunion the second Sunday in August, 1940, in charge of Mrs. William Cheesebrough and family, the place to be decided later.

MURCHLAND

The annual gathering of the descendants and relatives of Robert and Sarah Henderson Murchland will be held at the Follansbee Park, Follansbee, W. Va., Saturday, September 2, 1939 at 11 a. m. Those attending are asked to take well filled baskets, dishes, silver and one pint of lemon juice sweetened. Mrs. J. E. Campbell of Avella is secretary.

MILLER-ALLISON-RUSSELL

Another of the annual reunions was held by the three clans, the Millers, Allisons and Russells, at the Hilltop Pavilion, Washington Park, Saturday, August 5. The plan of holding a joint reunion of these clans rather than holding three separate meetings, has proven popular from the first gathering and this popularity has not waned in the succeeding years.

This union is unique, inasmuch as members of the families, since pioneer days, have been closely associated in marriage, social and civic affairs, as well as in religion and education.

As in former years, no formal program was presented by the committee in charge and for the older people it was a day of visiting.

The younger set found amusement in the nearby swimming pool.

At noon the customary bountiful dinner was prepared and served by the committee of wives and daughters.

In the afternoon, Frank Russell, Houston, chairman the past two years, called a short business meeting to take care of matters incidental to the reunion, chief of which was the election of officers for the next two years as follows: President, George Allison, Washington, R. D.; vice president, J. Ard Cowden, McDonald, R. D.; secretary and treasurer, Miss Grace Cowden, McDonald, R. D. Oldest member present was William Miller Russell, McDonald, R. D. 4, in his 89th year. The youngest was Judith Ann, aged three months, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Enstrom.

Well might any clansmen claim a just pride in the achievements of ancestors such as was theirs. With a background of staunch Scotch-Irish Presbyterian principles, they were instrumental along with other pioneers in subduing the then vast wilderness, conquering the aboriginals and making Western Pennsylvania a fit habitation for succeeding generations.

A number fought in the Revolutionary War and many more fought for their country in the following wars.

In attendance were the following: Mr. and Mrs. Elzie Philla- baum and daughter Shirley Anne and Billy, of Greentree; Mr. and Mrs. Jack D. Brammer, of Beaver; J. K. Cummins and D. W. Cummins, of Cadiz; Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Russell and daughters Rhea and Jo Anna and John A. Lindsay, of Houston; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cummins and Jerry Morrow, of Lisbon, O.; Mrs. Etta M. Allison, of Buffalo; Miss Mona Horstman, of Florence; Miss Martha Mitchell, of Cadiz; Mr. and Mrs. Bert Russell and daughter Ruth Anne, of Burgettstown; Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Gammeter, of Cadiz; Robert Hoop, of Palmer; Mrs. Emma C. Smith, of Crafton; Mrs. Mary Burig and daughter, of Ludlow Falls, O.; Mr.

and Mrs. Carl Golden, of Greenville; Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Chisholm, of Dormont; Mr. and Mrs. Alvan Taggart and daughter Flora Dale, of Rea; Shirley Runa, of Buffalo, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Ely and family, J. W. Conner and daughter Mary, Mrs. George Keenan and daughter Nancy, Mrs. Harold L. McClay, Mrs. Anna McCal- mont and daughter Mary, Mr. and Mrs. George D. Allison, Miss Etta Allison, Miss Betty Robinson, Miss Lorraine Bart, Mrs. Lillie M. Lane, all of Washington; Mr. and Mrs. J. Ard Cowden and Mary Jane, John, Clair and Tommy, Howard Glass, Misses Clara, Martha and Jeanetta Glass, Mr. and Mrs. John E. Brown and daughter Betty, Mrs. Robert M. Brown and children Robert and Birdie Gail, Lee Robinson, Mr. and

Mrs. William McCoy and daughter Zelma, Mrs. Vance Smith and children Dorothy, Robert, Vance, Paul, Elsie and Roberta, David Weaver- ling, Mr. and Mrs. William M. Rus- sell and Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Russell and children Joseph and Maggie, all of McDonald; Miss Eleanor Duvall, Mrs. H. H. Brown- lee, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Duvall, all of Claysville; Mrs. Rea Dunkle, Mrs. Homer Ross, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dunkle, M. S. Dunkle, Miss Lou Coulter, Mrs. Ila Dunkle and Frank Manson, all of West Middle- town; Mrs. Maude McCabe, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Glass and daughter Anna Lee, J. L. Cowden, S. A. McCal- mont and daughter Elizabeth, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Frazier, Mrs. Don McCalmont and daughter Lucille, Audley Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Don- aldson McCarrell and daughter Marthetta, Lois Anne Carter, Wil- liam and Lois Carlisle, Martha Jane, Marion, Bud and Jay Allison, Darwin Hoop, Miss Margaret Hoop, Mrs. Henry Enstrom and children Richard, Marjorie Lee, and Judith Anne, all of Hickory.

CONKLE

The 19th annual reunion of the Conkle family was held August 20 at Rock Springs Park, Chester, W. Va. There were 114 present from East Liverpool, O., Lisbon, O., Hickory, Coraopolis, Washington, Georgetown, Waynesburg, Bentley- ville and Scenery Hill.

A pleasant day was spent in re- newing old acquaintances. At noon, dinner was served cafeteria style

in charge of Mrs. Robert Conkle, Georgetown, Pa.

The following officers were elect- ed for 1940: President, Ralph San- ders, Jr., Washington; vice presi- dent, Leslie Conkle, Waynesburg; secretary-treasurer, Cora Conkle, Scenery Hill; table committee, Mrs. Bertha Lacock, Washington; Mrs. Olive Redd, Washington; en- tertainment committee, Clayton Conkle, Georgetown; Leonard Neill, Hickory; Leman McCarrell, Hickory.

The next reunion will be held the third Sunday in August 1940, at Washington Park.

DAVIDSON

The children of Mrs. Venia Dav- idson, of near Buffalo Village, with their families met at the home of Charles Hamilton, near Houston, for a family reunion.

Those present were: Mrs. Venia Davidson, Washington, R. D.; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Moore and daugh- ter, Marie; Mr. and Mrs. Russell Moore and daughter, Lois Ann, Washington, R. D.; Mr. and Mrs. Earl Davidson and daughters, Shir- ley, Lois, Dorothy, Martha, and Nancy, Canonsburg; Mr. and Mrs. Kline Cowden and sons, Billy and Dale, Hickory; Mr. and Mrs. Lind- sey Waychoff and children, Harold, Ralph, Ruth and Betty, Washing- ton, R. D.; Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Davidson and children, Renzie, Hilda, Kline and Janet; Mr. and Mrs. Louis Davidson and children, Elsie, Ray and Patty Lou, Washington, R. D.; Mr. and Mrs. Alvin David- son and children, Peppy, Bobby, Helen, Gladys, Joanne, Wayne, Duane and Nancy, Buffalo; Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Davidson and chil- dren, Donald, Barbara Lee and Norma Jean, Washington; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hamilton and daugh- ters, Eleanor and Gail, Canonsburg, R. D.

Guests were: Mrs. Jessie Jones, Washington, R. D.; Hazel Mounts, Washington, R. D.; Anton Ruper, Clair Reedy, Hickory, and Mary Jane Bainbridge, Washington.

BROWN

The Brown Reunion was held at the summer home of Mrs. Alice B. Stunkard, near Bethany, W. Va. A picnic basket lunch was served at noon and in the evening. Those present were: Mrs. Martha Brown and daughter, Florence Brown; Mr. and Mrs. James Walker and son, Billy; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Walker, of Hubbard, O.; Bernice Ulrich, of Hunting Park, Calif.; Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Rumbald and son, Harold, of Sharon; Mr. and Mrs.

J. C. Brown, and Edward Fenwick, of Wellsburg, W. Va.; Mr. and Mrs. John Marsh and son, Jack, of Steubenville, O.; Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Brown, of Burgettstown, Pa., R. F. D.; Mr. and Mrs. Stunkard and daughter, Nadine, of Follans- bee, W. Va.; Mr. and Mrs. George Lehn and son, Bill, of Youngstown, O.; Hannah Walker, of New Castle; Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Woods,

of Carnegie; Don Crawford, Mrs. Dorothy Geroge and son, Donny, of Holidays Cove, W. Va.; Mrs. H. H. McGinnis and son, Jimmy; Mr. and Mrs. John Maderia, and Mrs. Alice B. Stunkard, of Avella.

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MCCALMONT

McCalmont clan held its annual reunion at Washington Park with 135 attending. A picnic lunch was served at noon. At the afternoon meeting the president, J. A. Lindsay, of Houston, presided. Brief remarks were made by H. J. McCamman, of Mt. Gilead, O.; J. R. McCamman, of Charlotte, Mich.; the Rev. Howard D. McCalmont, of Providence, R. I.; Mary M. McCalmont, of Menomonie, Wis.; the Rev. D. T. McCalmont, of New Wilmington, and Mrs. James McNamara, of Parkersburg, W. Va. Attorney John E. McCalmont, of Pittsburgh, gave interesting items of clan history. Following officers were elected to serve the coming year: President, L. A. McCalmont, Hickory; vice presidents, E. H. White, Hickory, and W. A. Lindsay, Washington; secretary, Mrs. Lawrence Ely, Washington; treasurer, Elizabeth McCalmont, Hickory. Those attending were: John E. McCalmont, Pittsburgh; Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Cummins, Donna M. Cummins, Warren Cummins, R. R. Cummins, Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Miller, Gladys Miller, Edwin and Jim Miller, McDonald; Mrs. S. O. Scott, Jane Allender, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. White, Martha, Ruth, and Mary Vale White, Mr. and Mrs. Clare White, Dorothy, William and Samuel White, S. A. McCalmont, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. McCalmont, Mrs. E. S. McCalmont, Mrs. Emma McCalmont, Richard Embleton, Mrs. Maude McCabe, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. McCalmont, Elizabeth McCalmont, Mrs. A. P. McCalmont, Mrs. O. B. Robinson, Lee Robinson, Dr. and Mrs. E. H. White, Roberta, Nancy and Eddy White, Marjorie Lee Enstrom, of Hickory; W. J. Conner, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Lindsay, Mrs. Lillian Lane, Evelyn Miller, William Barney, Lena McBarney, Mrs. J. Walker Miller, Mrs. E. L. Allender, Marian Allender, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Ely, Lucille and Walter Ely, Mary McCalmont, Mrs. John M. Manson, Janet Manson, Bobby Manson, Miss Elizabeth H. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. White, Mac, Bobby and Jim White, Washington; Mrs. J. C. Rossell, Mr. and Mrs. John T. Moore, Vance Henderson, Helen Henderson, Canonsburg; Mr. and Mrs. John A. Lindsay, Mrs. Walker Henderson, Dorothy and Katherine Henderson, Mrs. James Henderson, Mrs. George W. Parker, Jane Parker, Mrs. W. M. Parker, John S. Lindsay, Houston; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wallace, Anna Wallace, Mrs. J. M. Wallace, O. B. Aiken, Midway; Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Holmes, John C. Holmes, Woodrow; the Rev. and Mrs. D. T. McCalmont, Elizabeth McCalmont, New Wilmington; Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Jeffrey, Dwight H. Jeffrey, Wilkinsburg; Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Allender, Warren and Alda Allender, Bridgeville; Mrs. Mildred Howard, Nancy Jane Howard, Mt. Lebanon; Mrs. C. A. Laing, Billy Laing, Hickory; J. R. McCamman, Charlotte, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. Harley J. McCam-

man, Evelyn McCamman, Mt. Gilead, O.; Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Smith, Violet Smith, Mrs. James McNamara, Parkersburg, W. Va.; the Rev. and Mrs. Howard D. McCalmont, Menomonie, Wis.; Erdine Wells, Lakewood, O.; Mr. and Mrs. Robert McCalmont and children, of Washington, D. C.

**SCHOOLS OPEN SEPT. 5
IN MT. PLEASANT**

HICKORY, Aug. 18—The schools of Mount Pleasant Township will open Tuesday, September 5.

The enrollment in the grades is as follows: Primrose, 94; Southview, 112; Westland, 165; Hickory, 231. The enrollment in the high school is: Freshmen, 80; Sophomores, 73; Juniors, 71; Seniors, 50.

Children entering school for the first year must present a certificate of successful vaccination.

Unless further notified the busses will be the same as last year both as to routes and time.

Repairs and cleaning of buildings are in progress and some new equipment has been purchased for the manual training department.

Top soil is being placed on the new athletic field which will be sown in grass in the near future.

Any high school students, other than Freshmen, who plan to enter Hickory High School for the first time, should call at the office before the opening day of school to register.

Miss Mary Simpson, who was on sabbatical leave for one year, will return to her position as third grade teacher at Hickory. Mrs. Edna McCarrell has been elected to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Miss Florence Retzer. Miss Lourene Coulter, of Grove City, has been elected as supervisor of music and the vacancy caused by the resignation of George Mumma as assistant supervisor of agriculture has not been filled.

Stockhausen-Dimit Wedding

On Saturday morning, September 9, at 8:30 o'clock, Miss Gladys Dimit, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Dimit, and F. J. Stockhausen, of Hollidays Cove, were united in marriage at the parsonage in Eldersville. Rev. Beck officiating. They left immediately on a trip to California and other points of interest. Upon their return they will reside in Hollidays Cove, W. Va., where Mr. Stockhausen is employed.

T. M. Caldwell, Cross Creek; \$664.35 in cash in bank, Treasury bond and interest due and building and loan stock.

MATHILDA METTAIR LAWTON

Word has been received of the death of Mrs. Mathilda Mettair Lawton, 42, widow of Richard Wells Lawton, former resident of Rea, in Miami, Florida, last Tuesday morning.

She had been ill for only a short time and death was due to complications.

A daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Mettair, of Miami, she was united in marriage with Richard Wells Lawton in 1917. He died Sept. 18, 1930.

She is survived by two sons, William Mettair Lawton and Milton Wells Lawton; three brothers, William, Frank and Paul; three sisters, Mrs. Arthur Barrett, Mrs. Frank Picot and Mrs. J. B. Henschell, and her step-mother, Mrs. William Mettair, all of Miami. Burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery, Miami.

Mrs. Lawton visited frequently in Washington County. Miss May Lawton, Rea, is a sister-in-law.

THOMAS MARQUIS CALDWELL

Thomas Marquis Caldwell died suddenly at his home in Cross Creek Township, near Rea Station, at 4 p. m. Friday, September 1, 1939, at the age of 83.

He was born October 4, 1855, in Hopewell Township, a son of W. S. and Jane McWilliams Caldwell. In 1883, he was united in marriage with Margaret Jane Knox. For the past 50 years he has been a member of the Grove United Presbyterian Church, being a member of the choir for many years.

Besides his wife he leaves three children, Mrs. Earl B. Amos, of Eighty Four; John Caldwell, of Hickory, and William M. Caldwell, at home. One brother, Wallace Caldwell, of West Alexander, and eight grandchildren.

Services will be held at the home Sunday, September 2, at 3 p. m. Burial will be in the Grove U. P. Church Cemetery, at West Middletown.

MRS. J. S. TEETS

Mrs. Virginia Deahl Teets, widow of J. S. Teets, died at 5 p. m., Thursday, September 14, 1939, in her home, Johnson Road, Moninger, after a two week illness.

Mrs. Teets and her husband, who died December 13, 1937, moved to Moninger from Hickory in 1923. She was born September 6, 1857, in Hazelton, Preston County, W. Va., and was a daughter of Andrew Jackson Deahl and Rhodda Deahl.

She was a member of the Central Presbyterian Church of Canonsburg.

Surviving are four sisters, Mrs. Laura Frankhouser, of Uniontown; Miss Mary Deahl Teets and Mrs. Ella Brown, of Pittsburgh, and Mrs. Caroline Callis, of Terra Alta, W. Va.

Funeral services will be held in the home at 2:30 o'clock Sunday, in charge of the Rev. F. W. Stephens. Burial will be in the Mt. Prospect Cemetery, ~~Hickory~~ *Hickory*.

Jennie D. Teets, Chartiers Township; \$850.39 in cash in bank and household furnishings.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 1939

SOCIETY

Zoog-Retzer Wedding

At a beautiful ceremony solemnized in the Mt. Pleasant United Presbyterian Church, of Hickory, at 4 o'clock Saturday afternoon, September 2, Miss Florence E. Retzer, of Hickory, became the bride of Richard L. Zoog, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Zoog, of Canonsburg. The ceremony was performed by the pastor of the bride, the Rev. R. L. Stevenson, in the presence of the two families. The bride wore a dress of grotto blue with wine-colored accessories and carried a corsage of red roses and lilies of the valley. The bride's only attendant was her sister, Mrs. Jerome Zoog, and the bridegroom chose his brother, Jerome Zoog, for best man. Immediately following the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Zoog left on a southern wedding trip after which they will be at home to their friends at 220 South Central avenue, Canonsburg, after September 15. The bride is a graduate of Indiana State Teachers College and has been a successful teacher in the Mt. Pleasant Township schools.

Reception at Hickory

Dr. and Mrs. D. L. McCarrell, of Hickory, entertained a number of friends at a dinner Thursday evening, their son, David K. McCarrell, and his bride, of Johnson City, Tenn. The guest list included Mr. and Mrs. James Morgan, of Jackson, O.; Mr. and Mrs. Donald Campbell, son Donnie and James McCarrell, Beaver Falls; Mrs. Jennie Hays, son, James, and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Chucker, of Greentree; John McCarrell and Miss Terza Hughes, Pittsburgh; Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Pedicord and daughter, Miss Grace, James McCarrell and Miss Ora McCarrell, Hickory, and the honor guests, Mr. and Mrs. David K. McCarrell. Mr. and Mrs. McCarrell left on Sunday morning for Johnson City, Tenn., where Mr. McCarrell is head of the history department of Milligan College.

Tranquill-Avetta Marriage

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Avetta, of Avella, announce the marriage of their daughter, Miss Edna Avetta, to George A. Tranquill, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. George A. Tranquill, Sr., of Penowa, which took place on August 29, 1939, at the St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church, with the Rev. F. J. Mannsman officiating. The bride wore a gray crepe dress with black accessories, and their attendants were Mr. and Mrs. Leo Avetta.

Shower for Bride

Mrs. Florence Retzer Zoog, a recent bride, was the honor guest at a bridge shower given by Mrs. Hazel Davidson Bauman at her home in East McKeesport. During the evening a mock wedding ceremony was held in which the "bride" was attired in a gingham evening gown with bustle and cheesecloth veil and carried a head of cauliflower. The "bride's maids" carried bunches of carrots. Bridge honors were shared by Mrs. Zoog, Mrs. Edward White and Mrs. Charles Colwes. A luncheon was served by the hostess, assisted by Miss Helen Retzer and Mrs. P. J. Dolan, and the bride was given many gifts. Guests included were: Miss Jean McLaughlin, Mrs. Zoog, of Canonsburg; Mrs. G. A. Hoop, Mrs. Everett Phillips, Mrs. Thompson White, Miss Marthetta McCarrell, Miss Elsie Reed, Mrs. Edward White, Mrs. Charles Colwes, Mrs. Jerry Zoog, Miss Helen Retzer, of Hickory; Mrs. P. J. Dolan, of Pittsburgh; Mrs. Harold Thomas, New Kensington; Mrs. J. G. Topley, and Mrs. S. J. Topley, East McKeesport, and Mrs. C. A. Baumann, Sr., of Clairton.

Husbands Entertained

The wives of the Fireside Club of the Mt. Prospect Church, Hickory, entertained their husbands at their September meeting held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Henderson, Hickory, R. D., with Mr. and Mrs. Jules Beaumariage assistant hosts. After a short business meeting, conducted by Clare White, a play entitled "What Husbands Don't Know," was presented by Mrs. C. M. White, Mrs. Walter Campbell, Mrs. E. H. White, Mrs. Kenneth Smith, Mrs. Clifford Carlisle, Mrs. John Caldwell, Mrs. Thompson White, Mrs. George Baker, Mrs. Richard Thomas, Mrs. Jules Beaumariage and daughters, Patricia and Phyllis, Mrs. Glenn Stewart, Mrs. Clarence Carter, and Mrs. John Dinsmore. Mrs. E. H. White played a piano solo. A fireside chat was enjoyed by all. Lunch was served by the hospitality committee. Members present were: Rev. and Mrs. C. S. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin White, Mr. and Mrs. John Caldwell, Mr. and Mrs. John C. Dinsmore, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Carter, Mr. and Mrs. Jules Beaumariage, Mrs. George Baker, Mrs. Clifford Carlisle, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Thompson White, Dr. and Mrs. Edward White, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. Clare White, Mrs. Raymond Henderson and daughters, Marjorie and Marion.

JOHN L. M'GOUGH TAKEN BY DEATH

Prominent Retired Farmer of Burgettstown, 22 Years Secretary of Fair, Dies at Age of 79.

FUNERAL ON THURSDAY

John Lee McGough, 78, well known retired farmer, died at 4:25 o'clock Monday afternoon, Sept. 11, 1939, in his home, 19 Lincoln avenue, Burgettstown.

He was a son of Robert and Margaretta M. Lee McGough, and was born Dec. 25, 1860. He married Miss Isabella Stevens, Sept. 25, 1884. He was engaged in farming in Hanover Township, near Dinsmore, until 22 years ago, when he retired and moved to Burgettstown. For 23 years he was secretary of the Union Agricultural Association, sponsors and operators of the Burgettstown Fair.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Isabella Stevens McGough; one daughter, Mrs. Clarence McCreight; two grandchildren, Mrs. Margaretta Teeters, of New Cumberland, W. Va., and John McCreight, of Burgettstown; and two great-grandchildren.

A son, Vance Lee McGough, died Oct. 1, 1917.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, Sept. 14, in the home, at 2:30 o'clock, eastern standard time, in charge of the Rev. Charles H. Beck, of the Eldersville Methodist Church. Burial will be in the Chestnut Ridge Cemetery.

Church and Odd Fellow Lodge Benefit Under Will

Under the will of Mrs. Jennie D. Teets, late of Houston, the bulk of her estate, estimated at \$800 personalty and \$6,000 realty, will go to charitable objects. After a few small personal bequests are made, she provides that \$100 shall go to the care of family graves in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, and that her executor convert her estate into cash, to be given in equal parts to the Central Presbyterian Church of Canonsburg and the Odd Fellows Lodge of Canonsburg.

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LEMUEL F. GRAHAM

Funeral services were held Sunday in Florence Presbyterian Church for Lemuel Foster Graham, who died September 15, 1939, after a lingering illness.

Mr. Graham was a well known and highly respected citizen of the Florence community. He was a ruling elder of Florence Presbyterian Church and teacher of the Men's Bible Class.

Surviving are two sons, George and William Graham, both of Philadelphia; three brothers, Charles, Corwin, and the Rev. David S. Graham; and a sister, Mrs. Bertha McCullough, with whom he resided.

The Rev. R. L. Biddle, pastor of Florence Presbyterian Church, was in charge of the funeral services, assisted by the Rev. T. R. Campbell. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery at Burgettstown.

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95th Birthday Picnic

Relatives and friends of Miss Katherine Wright gathered at the A. C. Robertson farm, near Eldersville, for a basket picnic in honor of Miss Wright's 95th birthday. Dinner was served at noon and the afternoon was spent in conversation, the men enjoying a mushball game. A. C. Robertson sang several selections, accompanied at the piano by his daughter, Florence Robertson. Miss Wright is a sister of Mrs. Ada V. Smith, Burgettstown, and is making her home with her nephew, A. C. Robertson. The following relatives and friends signed the register during the afternoon: C. E. Wright, Sara E. Wright, Anna L. Montgomery, Mary E. Pasco, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Russell, son, Frank G. Russell, Cora Etta DePorter, Mr. and Mrs. Baur Russell, son, Karl Ulrich, Mrs. Dessie R. Love, Mrs. Mable McPeak, Mrs. Bertha E. Barnes, Mrs. Orpha B. Morrow, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Wright, Frank Kerns, Hazel Brafford, Donald Brafford, Clark Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Smith, P. E. Robertson, James P. Robertson, Jr., Mrs. Ada V. Smith, son, Thomas S. Smith, Richard C. Morrow, Frances M. Bell, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Wright, William Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Delbrugge, Jacqueline and Nancy Delbrugge, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Barber, R. C. Smith, Letha Robertson, James Robertson, Roger Robertson, A. M. Robertson, A. C. Robertson, Florence Robertson, Theo Robertson, Marjorie and Edward Robertson, Irah McCaffery, Mary and Billy McCaffery, A. J. McCaffery, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Evans, daughter, Jane Lee, son, David, Lewis J. Lazzari, W. H. Robertson, Dallas Boyce, William Hukill, Mrs. F. G. Smith, daughter, Willa, and Mrs. Willa Biddle.

JOHN E. DOWNEY FUNERAL

Funeral services for John Edward Downey will be held in his home, 122 Kenmore avenue, Carnegie, Tuesday, September 19, at 2:30 o'clock. Mr. Downey died in his home Saturday afternoon, September 16, at 3:30 o'clock, after a brief illness of pneumonia.

He was born in the State of Indiana, December 1, 1859. Later he moved to Noble County, Ohio, where he married Miss Sarah Baldwin, on November 2, 1888.

Mr. and Mrs. Downey celebrated their golden wedding anniversary, last year.

Nearly 40 years ago the Downey family moved to Mt. Pleasant Township, Washington County, where Mr. Downey continued to farm until his retirement. He moved to Carnegie in 1920.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Sarah Downey, and two children, Miss Gertrude Downey, at home, and Thomas Downey, of Carnegie; also one grandchild Sarah Arabella Downey.

Miller School House, Hanover Township, Burns

Vacation days have come early to the pupils of the Miller school, Hanover Township, and all because the school house burned down Saturday. The directors did not know of the loss until Sunday, and the district will now probably be on the lookout for a portable building.

The Miller school is a typical rural school, located a little north of Eldersville. The teacher for the current term is Miss Mary Carson, and the enrollment is about thirty.

Germany banned the film "The Man Who Could Work Miracles" because it made fun of war.

An ancient urn containing human bones was unearthed in Ardstraw, Northern Ireland.

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Washington County residents listed among 178 dismissals from state jobs include J. M. Marquis,

Hickory, dog law enforcement officer in the Department of Agriculture at \$1,860, and Margaret Conte, Monongahela, typist in the Workmen's Insurance Fund department at \$1,380.

R. M. DICKSON, 76, DIES AT MIDWAY

Prominent Businessman, Civic and Church Leader Collapses While Inspecting Property Near Home.

MEMBER OF FIRST COUNCIL

MIDWAY, Sept. 14. — Robert McBurney, widely known business man here, died suddenly this afternoon of a heart attack. He collapsed while inspecting some property not far from his home, and was found to be dead when medical help arrived.

Mr. Dickson was born Feb. 23, 1863, on a farm in Allegheny County near McDonald, a son of the late William A. and Elizabeth McBurney Dickson. At the age of 12 he moved to Midway, and had resided there since that time. He attended Ingleside Academy at McDonald and Duff's College in Pittsburgh. In June, 1895, he married Ina Andrews, who died in 1928.

Mr. Dickson was an active member of Center United Presbyterian Church, and had served as an elder since 1896. For many years he was a member of the Midway borough council, and served on the first council after the borough's incorporation.

At the time of his death he was a member of the school board, on which he had served several terms.

For 44 years Mr. Dickson had been in business at Midway, a part-

ner in the lumber and hardware firm of Dickson and Wallace which was organized in March of 1895.

Surviving are two sons, William A. and Robert M. Dickson, both of Midway; one daughter, Mrs. Florian Ewen, of Elizabethtown, Ky.; two grandchildren; two sisters, Miss J. Agnes Dickson, of Crafton, and Mrs. W. E. E. Barcus, of Crafton; and two brothers, Dr. W. R. Dickson, of McDonald, and Dr. W. E. Dickson, of Burgettstown.

Funeral services will be held at the home Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, standard time, in charge of the Rev. Alfred Hubbard, pastor of Center United Presbyterian Church. Burial will be at Center Cemetery.

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MRS. WILLIAM B. MCKELVEY
Mrs. Lebrita Vance McKelvey, wife of William B. McKelvey, of 129 1/2 Greenside avenue, Canonsburg, died Saturday afternoon at 1:10 o'clock in Canonsburg General Hospital following a short illness.

Mrs. McKelvey was born at Burgettstown, a daughter of John and Mary Shipley Vance, and had resided in Canonsburg since 1896. She was an active member of Greenside Avenue United Presbyterian Church of Canonsburg, and was affiliated with the Ladies' Aid Society, the Women's Missionary Society and the Philathea Class.

Surviving, besides her husband, are one sister, Mrs. Walter Briceland, of Canonsburg, and two brothers, Harry G. Vance, of Washington, and Allison M. Vance, of Williamsburg.

Friends will be received at the McNary Funeral Home in Canonsburg where funeral services will be held Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, in charge of her pastor, the Rev. Ross H. Hume. Burial will be in Oak Spring Cemetery.

MRS. HENRY NOLTE

Funeral services for Mrs. Henry Nolte, California avenue, North Side, Pittsburgh, were held in the German Lutheran Church, Pittsburgh, Friday afternoon, at 2:30 o'clock.

Mrs. Nolte died in the St. John Hospital, Pittsburgh, Wednesday September 27, following a paralytic stroke suffered a week ago. She was born in Germany 76 years ago and resided in Hickory for 2 years with her husband. Three and a half years ago they moved to Pittsburgh.

Her husband survives.

Burial was in the Mt. Royal Cemetery.

See Page 62 for death of Mrs. Nolte.

MRS. ANNETTA V. PATTON

P. F. Patton, of Avella, has received word that his mother, Mrs. Annetta V. Patton, died Thursday, Sept. 28, 1939, at 5:20 p. m.

Mrs. Patton was born Oct. 17, 1865, in Harrison County, Ohio, a daughter of Captain Joseph and Mary Ann Patterson.

Surviving are her husband, Fre Patton, of Edgewood; two sons, P. F. Patton, of Avella, and H. L. Patton, of Jewett, O.; one daughter, Mrs. S. M. Lawthers, of Edgewood; eight grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; two sisters and one brother.

Funeral services are to be held at 2 p. m. today at Jewett, O.

SAMUEL S. NOAH

Samuel S. Noah, 88, retired railroad worker, died Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, Sept. 22, 1939 at his home, 722 Bell avenue, Carnegie, after a long illness.

Surviving are two sons, Edwin G., of Carnegie, and Vance of Hanlin Station; one brother, Edward, of Wellsburg, W. Va.; three sisters, Mrs. Reed Curry, of Carnegie, Mrs. John McCue, of East Liverpool, O., and Mrs. George Moneypenny, of East Liverpool; 15 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren. His wife, Ella Gilbert Noah, died in 1923.

Funeral services will be held in First Presbyterian Church, Burgettstown, of which he was a member. Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock with the Rev. R. E. Carmen in charge. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery, Burgettstown.

MRS. M. A. LIGGETT

Mrs. Alice Denny Liggett, 77, well known and highly respected resident of Claysville, died in her home Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock, Sept. 28, 1939.

Mrs. Liggett was a daughter of the late Walter and Mary Welch Denny, and was born in Independence Township where she spent her early life. On Sept. 27, 1882, she was united in marriage with M. A. Liggett, who survives. In her early girlhood Mrs. Liggett joined the Grove United Presbyterian Church at West Middletown, where she remained a faithful member until moving to Claysville in 1902. At that time, Mrs. Liggett transferred her membership to the Claysville Presbyterian Church, where Mr. Liggett has served as a ruling elder for many years. Mrs. Liggett wrote a number of poems, and a book of them was published.

In 1932 Mr. and Mrs. Liggett celebrated the 50th anniversary of their wedding.

Surviving, besides her husband, are two daughters, Mrs. Mary Chapman, at home, and Mrs. Frederick Hutchinson, of Houston, Tex.; three grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and two sisters, Mrs. R. C. Buchanan, of Washington, and Mrs. Margaret Hanna, of Independence.

Funeral services will be held at the Liggett home in Claysville Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, in charge of the Rev. William Longbrake, pastor of Claysville Presbyterian Church. Burial will be in Claysville Cemetery.

Alice B. Liggett, Claysville; \$4-032.52 in cash in bank, and common and preferred stocks.

MRS. JENNIE W. PINKARD

Mrs. Jennie Walker Pinkard, 53, life resident of West Middletown, died at 2:20 a. m. yesterday at her home in that village following a lingering illness.

A daughter of the late Thomas and Margaret Webster Kelley, she was born at West Middletown on June 13, 1886. She married Bernie Walker, of Warrenton, Va., August 30, 1906. She was married to Cleve Pinkard, of Wellsburg, W. Va., September 21, 1937.

She was a member of the West Middletown A. M. E. Church and was active in all its departments. For a number of years she served as superintendent of the Sunday School.

She leaves her husband and two sons, John, at home, and Richard W., Logan, W. Va. Also surviving are two sisters, Mrs. Margaret Fulum and Mrs. Maud Thomas, both of Washington; and two brothers, Varner Kelley and George Kelley, both of West Middletown; and one granddaughter, Jacqueline.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday at 2 p. m. in West Middletown A. M. E. Church. Burial will be in West Middletown Cemetery.

Nineteenth Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. William Bedillion, Hickory, R. D., were honored by a group of their neighbors who gathered in their home on Monday evening, the occasion being their 19th anniversary of their marriage. Lunch, served by the self-invited guests was enjoyed.

The guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Bedillion and family, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin White, Mr. and Mrs. Orlan Miller and family, John Bates and the Misses Florence Miller and Wannetta Malone.

57th Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Noah of Hickory, R. D. received the congratulations and well wishes of their many friends and neighbors Saturday, September 16, the occasion being their 57th wedding anniversary. Due to the impaired health of both Mr. and Mrs. Noah the day was spent quietly in their home.

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Prominent Church Worker Dies at Wheel Of Car as She Plays "Good Samaritan"

HICKORY, Sept. 28.—Miss Dora Ella Belle Cowden, 66, prominent church, Sunday School and missionary worker of Hickory, died suddenly at 11:45 o'clock this morning at the wheel of her car on a Uniontown street.

Miss Cowden, in a spirit of helpfulness, had taken a group of unemployed men to Uniontown, where they hoped to obtain work. After making a stop in Uniontown, Miss Cowden started her motor, released the brakes and let in the clutch, but slumped in her seat, dead. One of her passengers stopped the motor of the car. Death was due to a heart attack.

When Miss Cowden left home this morning she was apparently

in normal health. During the trip to Uniontown she chatted with other occupants of the car.

Miss Cowden, a daughter of Joseph and Margaret McCarrell Cowden, was born January 1, 1873, in Cecil Township. She was the youngest member and last survivor of a family of 11 children.

She resided in the Cowden home, near Bishop, until 1915, when she and other members of the Cowden family moved to Hickory, where she resided the rest of her life. Since the death of her sister, Martha Cowden, in November, 1934, she lived alone.

Besides attending to her home duties, Miss Cowden devoted much of her time and means to church, Sunday School and missionary work. At the time of her death she was a member of the West-

land United Presbyterian Church and Missionary Society. At various times she was actively engaged in missionary work at Bishop, Westland and Southview.

Surviving are five nephews and three nieces, W. Lee Cowden, J. Ard Cowden and John R. Cowden, of Hickory; Joseph N. Cowden, of Ames, Ia.; Thomas Kyle Cowden, of Purdue University, West Lafayette, Ind.; Mrs. Robert Snook, Long Island, N. Y., and Mrs. Joseph Harris, of Philadelphia.

Funeral services will be held in the home, at Hickory, Sunday, October 1; at 2:30 o'clock, in charge of her pastor, the Rev. R. L. Stevenson, of Hickory, assisted by Dr. C. T. Little, former pastor of the Venice U. P. Church. Burial will be in the family lot in the Venice Cemetery.

September 1939

COMPLETE COUNT OF WET-DRY VOTE

- Amwell Township—Beer, yes 297, no 269; liquor, yes 306, no 291.
- Buffalo Township — (Previously dry and voting on question of authorizing liquor sales) Yes 127, no 211.
- California—Beer, yes 677, no 267; liquor, yes 693, no 256.
- East Pike Run—Beer, yes, 1,028; no 200; liquor, yes 1,154, no 222.
- East Washington—Beer, yes 142, no 591; liquor, yes 157, no 635.
- Elco—Beer, yes 168, no 32; liquor, yes 180, no 36.
- Finleyville—Beer, yes 205, no 51; liquor, yes 215, no 58.
- Midway—Beer, yes 166, no 171; liquor, yes 184, no 184.
- Mt. Pleasant—Beer, yes 470, no 392; liquor, yes 525, no 423.
- Nottingham—Beer, yes 163, no 119; liquor, yes 160, no 126.

BORN

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Woodford, Hickory, a daughter, Georgiana Maxwell, Monday, October 2, 1939 at the West Penn Hospital, Pittsburgh. Mrs. Woodford is the former Miss Margaret Spiers.
To Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Woodford of Mt. Lebanon, Pittsburgh, a daughter, Jean Ann, Friday, September 29, 1939, in Montefiore Hospital.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5, 1939

SOCIETY

To Celebrate Golden Wedding Mr. and Mrs. W. L. McIlwaine, near Kammerer, will celebrate the 50th anniversary of their marriage, Tuesday, October 10, at their home. They will hold "open house" from 2 to 4 o'clock in the afternoon and 7 to 9 in the evening. All friends are invited.

Dora E. Cowden, Mt. Pleasant Township; \$20,806.53 in household furnishings, stocks, mortgages due the estate and cash in the bank.

Golden Wedding Celebrated By Mr. and Mrs. F. K. Kraeer

CROSS CREEK, Oct. 12.—Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Kraeer, respected citizens of the Cross Creek Community, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Tuesday evening, Oct. 10, by entertaining their children and grandchildren.

F. T. Kraeer and Annetta Matchett were married at McDonald, Oct. 10, 1889, by the late Rev. W. D. Irons, Mrs. Kraeer's only living sister, Mrs. Vina Cain, who also was present at the wedding, attended the celebration.

The home was artistically decorated with gold and yellow flowers. The table centerpiece was a beautiful wedding cake mounted between two golden candles made by their daughter, Mrs. H. A. McCreary.

Music and games were the diversions of the evening. A reading,

"Down At Grandma's House," was given by Esther Kraeer and a solo was sung by Jane McCreary.

Lunch was served buffet style. Late in the evening Otto I. Kraeer presented the honor couple with a beautiful mantel clock, a gift from their children.

Mr. and Mrs. Kraeer are the parents of six children, five of whom are living, as follows: Otto I. Kraeer of Woodrow; Samuel M. Kraeer, Canonsburg; Mrs. Harry McCreary and Thomas M. Kraeer, Cross Creek, and Mrs. George Alrutz, of Burgettstown R. D. 4. Raymond J. Kraeer died in 1936.

Mr. Kraeer enjoys the best of health while Mrs. Kraeer's health is not good, yet she is able to be about her household duties and is also a teacher in the Sunday School

SOCIETY

25th Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Johnston M. Russell, prominent residents of Mt. Pleasant Township, Mr. Russell being master of Washington County Pomona Grange, celebrated the 25th anniversary of their marriage the past weekend, entertaining relatives, close friends and neighbors last Saturday evening and holding "open house" Monday.

Among the numerous gifts received by Mr. and Mrs. Russell was one of 25 silver dollars from the officers of Washington County Pomona Grange.

The wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Russell was solemnized September 24, 1914, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John T. Scott, two miles east of Hickory. Twelve of the 35 persons attending the ceremony were present Saturday, including Mr. and Mrs. Russell. Others were: William M. Russell, father of Mr. Russell, who is now in his 89th year; Oliver Robinson, who served as best man; Miss Ellen McCalmont, Mrs. Vance M. Smith, Mrs. Taylor Williams, Miss Loula Crummy, Miss Alverda Scott, sister and wore wedding dress of Mrs. Russell Saturday evening; John H. Scott, of Hendersonville; Harold Scott, of Houston, and Charles E. Scott, of McDonald.

Sixty-five persons were present on Saturday evening. The centerpiece was an attractive wedding cake baked and presented to Mr. and Mrs. Russell by Mrs. J. Hutch Hunter, Prosperity. Mrs. Russell's aides were Mrs. Oliver Robinson, Miss Florence Miller, Mrs. Charles Scott, Miss Loula Crummy, Mrs. M. S. Largent, and Mrs. Ethel Sargent.

More than 100 persons, including many Grangers, called to extend their greetings during "open house" Monday afternoon and evening. Tea was served, with Mrs. Oliver Robinson, Miss Florence Miller, Miss Wanetta Malone, Mrs. S. E. Miller and Mrs. W. Lee Cowden serving as aides.

Scotty Russell, nine-year-old son, only child of Mr. and Mrs. Russell, served as receptionist.

The widely known couple have spent their entire married life on the farm where they reside.

DEATH CLAIMS JOHN S. HUNTER

Long Illness Fatal to Hopewell Township Man Prominent in Church, Civic and Agricultural Affairs.

October 9, 1939
FUNERAL TO BE TUESDAY

John Smiley Hunter, one of the most prominent and respected citizens of Hopewell Township where he was born and spent his entire life, died Saturday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock at his home on Route 31 between Buffalo and West Middletown, following an illness of several months.

Mr. Hunter, a successful farmer and dairyman, died on the same farm where he was born July 23, 1867, and where he always resided. He was a son of the late W. W. and Elizabeth Smiley Hunter, one of four children, and was a member of a family that played a prominent part in the early history of Washington County.

His great-grandfather, William Smiley, added a dramatic chapter to the history of the County, when this district was a sparsely settled semi-wildness, with a heroic river trip to New Orleans with a boatload of grain to raise funds to enable the pastor of the Upper Buffalo and Cross Creek Presbyterian Churches to remain with those churches after they had been unable to pay his salary for several years, with a result that he faced loss of his farm. Mr. Smiley, a church leader, made the daring journey successfully and returned the entire distance on foot through a virgin wilderness overrun by savages.

Mr. Hunter's father, W. W. Hunter, who died in 1920, was greatly interested in the temperance movement and for many years was sec-

retary of the Jerome Plummer Temperance Fund. He also served as a missionary to Kentucky.

John S. Hunter took active part in many affairs of his community and the County. He was a faithful member of Upper Buffalo Presbyterian Church, and for 32 years was a member of its Board of Trustees. He also was leader of the church choir 35 years and of the Sunday School choir 25 years.

He had served as school director, road supervisor and auditor of Hopewell Township.

For 30 years he was a member of the Board of Directors of Union Agricultural Association of Burgettstown, which operated the Burgettstown Fair, serving two terms as president and five years as vice president.

He was secretary of West Middletown Cemetery Association and a director of Buffalo Cemetery Association.

Mr. Hunter also was active in the Grange, and was a member of Cross Creek Grange.

He received his education in the Hopewell Township Schools and at the old Buffalo Academy.

In April of 1907, Mr. Hunter married Lillie Hanlin, of Hanover Township, a well known school teacher in the County who survives.

For more than a decade, 1894 to 1906, Mr. Hunter and his brother Clarence Hunter engaged in the teaming-contract business, and they hauled most of the timbers that were used in the twin tunnels of the Wabash Railroad near Avella. During that period he continued to operate his farm and after that time devoted his full attention to farming. At the time of his death he and his son, John Hanlin Hunter, had a large dairy herd on their farm.

Surviving, besides his wife and son, are three brothers, Dr. Joseph W. Hunter, of Charleroi, Clarence M. Hunter, of Monongahela, and Howard T. Hunter, of Washington.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Hunter home on Route 31, with the Rev. J. M. Briceland, pastor of Upper Buffalo Presbyterian Church, in charge. Burial will be in Buffalo Cemetery.

Oct 9, 1939

APPRAISALS MADE

Inventories and appraisements of personal property have been filed with the Register of Wills in the following estates:

John S. Hunter, Hopewell Township; \$6,005.38 in crops, livestock, farming machinery, mortgages and notes due the estate with interest, and stocks.

John S. Hunter, Hopewell Township; \$3,000 personalty and \$1,350 realty; left to his son, John H. Hunter, of Rea R. D. 1; letters to his wife, Lillian H. Hunter, and his son, John H. Hunter.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. L. McIlvaine Celebrate 50th Anniversary

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KAMMERER, Oct. 10.—Mr. and Mrs. W. L. McIlvaine, prominent and respected residents of the Kammerer community, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary today with an all-day reception, during which more than 500 neighbors and other friends called to extend felicitations.

Cora Emery and W. L. McIlvaine were married Oct. 10, 1889, at the old Emery homestead near Beallsville.

Of those who called today, nine had attended the wedding cere-

mony. They are: Mrs. Robert Farrer, Mrs. Joseph Henderson, Mrs. Anna Carter, Boyd Emery and Mrs. H. R. Ely, all of the Kammerer district; W. A. H. McIlvaine, of Washington; Mr. and Mrs. John W. White, of Washington, and Dr. W. H. Emery, of Coatesville.

Mrs. McIlvaine today wore a becoming gown of king's blue trimmed in gold bead embroidery, with a corsage of deep purple orchids.

The entire home was decorated with gold and yellow chrysanthemums, Pom-Pons, dahlies, roses

and gladioli, the gifts of their many friends. Refreshments with a color scheme of gold and white were served from a table covered with a lace cloth and centered with a mound of golden chrysanthemums, flanked by yellow tapers in crystal candlesticks.

Mrs. McIlvaine's aides in serving were Mrs. M. E. Mitchell, Mrs. James Williams, Mrs. Howard Hess, Mrs. C. A. Hayden, Miss Sara Hayden, Mrs. Will Van Voorhis, Mrs. John M. White, Mrs. Irwin Emery, Mrs. Charles Chew, Mrs. Charles Lusk, Mrs. Lester Ramsey and Mrs. Zoë Hamilton, all of this district; Mrs. Grace Perry, of Columbus, O., and Mrs. Arthur McIlvaine, of New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. McIlvaine, both of whom enjoy excellent health, are active members of Pigeon Creek Presbyterian Church and in the Grange. They are the third generation of the family to reside in the McIlvaine homestead.

10-11-39

JAMES FRANKLIN THOMPSON

James Franklin Thompson, 84, a widely known and highly respected citizen, died last night at 11:35 o'clock at his home, 80 Stokley street, after an illness of four days. Pneumonia was the cause of death.

Mr. Thompson was born at West Middletown July 8, 1855, a son of James and Mary Anne Provine Thompson. He followed farming until he moved to Washington 36 years ago. He was employed as a road inspector by the County for a number of years. He was a member of the First United Presbyterian Church.

His wife, Lucy Denny Thompson, survives with three children: James Denny Thompson, well-known hardware merchant of this city; Dr. William Harold Thompson, Northside, Pittsburgh, and Mary, wife of B. J. Lutz, Corliss Station, Pittsburgh. He leaves one brother, W. W. Thompson, West Middletown.

Mr. and Mrs. Thompson would have celebrated the 55th anniversary of their marriage November 19, this year, had he survived.

Funeral arrangements have not been completed but burial will be at West Middletown.

James Frank Thompson, Washington; estate, \$6,000 personalty; left to his wife, two sons and daughter; letters issued to his sons, James D. Thompson, of Washington, and W. Harold Thompson, of Pittsburgh.

PASSES AWAY



James Franklin Thompson, 84, who had spent practically his entire life in Washington and West Middletown, died last night at his home, 80 Stokley street, of pneumonia after an illness of four days.

James Frank Thompson, Washington; \$7,887.87 in bonds, and common and preferred stocks.

Auto Crash Kills New Concord Man

1939

ZANESVILLE, O., Oct. 15.—(P) —Warren B. Baughman, 58, was killed instantly tonight in a head-on automobile crash on Route 76 near New Concord. Mr. Baughman was manager of the New Concord Enterprise Corporation and manager of the Muskingum Fruit Farm. He was treasurer of the National Apple Institute, secretary-treasurer of the Ohio Apple Institute and was a former member of the Muskingum College board of trustees.

October 16, 1939. Carnegie Coal Corporation. Pittsburgh, to Jerry Bertanini, et ux., Studa, 0.56 of an acre at Studa, Cross Creek Township: \$400.

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FRANCIS DRAKE

Francis Drake, 79, well known resident of the Avella community, died Monday at 7 a. m. in the home of a son-in-law, J. A. Ferguson, near Studa, after a short illness.

Mr. Drake was born in Greene County, near Wind Ridge, Oct. 14, 1860, a son of Francis and Elizabeth Stewart Drake. A carpenter by trade, he had lived a retired life for the past 10 years. He lived the past 42 years in the Avella section.

Surviving are three sons, Harry and John, of Studa, and Earl, of Washington, and a daughter, Mrs. J. A. Ferguson, Studa. His wife, Alice Woodruff Drake, and two sons, Alex and Frank Drake, are deceased. Mr. Drake was the last of a family of five children.

Funeral services will be held in the Ferguson home Wednesday at 2 p. m., in charge of the Rev. E. C. Crabb, pastor of the Avella Presbyterian Church. Burial will be in the Bethel Cemetery, near Eldersville.

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Birthday Surprise

Mrs. T. L. McCarrell, Washington, R. D., was taken by surprise when her family and a number of her friends gathered to celebrate her birthday. Conversation was the principal amusement and the two readings given by Miss Thelma McLoney added to the enjoyment of the evening. The guest list included: Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Carter and children, Lois Anne and McCarrell, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brown and children, Bobbie and Birdie Gail, of McDonald, R. D.; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McIlvaine, Mr. and Mrs. Leman McCarrell and son, Robert, of Hickory; Lewis Long, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Crothers, Miss Thelma McLoney, of Washington; Miss Evelyn Morgan, Canonsburg; T. L. McCarrell and son, Jay McCarrell.

JOHN WILLIAM SMITH

John William Smith, 62, who had resided near Independence the last 29 years, died Saturday afternoon, Oct. 28, 1939, of a bullet wound the County Coroner's office reported he had inflicted upon himself with a revolver at his home, Avella R. D. 2.

Mr. Smith was born May 24, 1877, in Washington County, Ohio, a son of the late John W. and Rebecca Ann Fry Smith. For the last 12 years he had been employed by the State Highway Department. He was a member of the P. O. S. of A. Lodge of Independence.

Surviving are his wife, Elizabeth Burkhart Smith; 12 sons and daughters, Mrs. Alonzo Frye, of Uniontown, Albert G., and Elvin A. Smith both of Midland; Shirley P. Smith, of Amsted, W. Va.; Mrs. Lindsay Arnold, of Chimney Corner, W. Va.; Mrs. Joseph Deligne, of Amsted, W. Va.; Mrs. William Maderia, of Avella R. D. 2; Mrs. Henry Winkler, of Pittsburgh; William Smith, of Rochester, and Woodrow, Grace and Helen, all at home; three sisters, Mrs. Melinda Cline and Mrs. Ben Downey, both of Wellsburg, W. Va., and Mrs. Mary Mowder, of Virginville, W. Va.; and two brothers, George and Dan Smith both of near Independence. Three other children Daniel, Lulu and Ralph, preceded their father in death.

Funeral services will be held in the Smith home this afternoon at 2 o'clock with the Rev. E. C. Crabb, pastor of Avella Presbyterian Church, in charge. Burial will be in Independence Cemetery.

JUDGE

Judge Howard W. Hughes, Washington.

Robert E. Burnside, East Washington.

Adolph L. Zeman, Canonsburg.
John C. Judson, Washington.
Roy I. Carson, Charleroi.
Dwight M. Anderson, Donora.

COMMISSIONER

John N. O'Neil, incumbent, Washington.

Andrew A. McDonald, Charleroi.
Guy Woodward, Washington.
Fred W. Brady, Charleroi.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Donald R. Hart, Washington.
D. M. Cummins, Washington.
A. L. W. Sismondo, Charleroi.

REGISTER OF WILLS

W. R. McCormick, Union Township.

L. Frank Baker, California.
John Farrer, Mt. Pleasant Township.

TREASURER

Mark C. Simpson, Roscoe.
PROTHONOTARY

Albert H. Gille, Chartiers Township.

Robert Hagar, Fallowfield Township.

CLERK OF COURTS

Leonard E. Sands, Bentleyville.
CORONER

Dr. George K. Hays, Monongahela.

SURVEYOR

C. E. Riggs, Claysville.
Alex L. McVicker, Monongahela.

**EROSION CONTROL PLAN
WILL BE DEMONSTRATED**

Oct 24, 1939

A. L. Cooper, agronomy specialist of State College, will discuss and demonstrate the method of laying out fields on the contour plan for control of erosion at two points in the county today and Wednesday.

Mr. Cooper will be at the J. W. Shidler dairy farm, Marianna, today at 1:30 and at the Hugh Buchanan farm, Independence Township, near Mt. Hope Church, Wednesday at 1:30.

The contour plan is receiving widespread attention at present and many county farmers who began the practice several years ago have found it to be successful and economical in reducing soil losses on hillside fields.

At each farm visited by Mr. Cooper, some acreage will be laid out in contour strips and crops rotated so as to permit the least erosion practical. All farmers are invited to attend the demonstrations.

Mt. Pleasant

Supervisor — (D) M. Carlisle, Michael Gasvoda; (R) Leman A. McCalmont.

School director, two to be nominated—(D) Robert M. Brown, R. R. Chapman; (R) John Farrar, George A. Hoop.

Auditor—(D) L. S. Morgan; (R) C. A. Laing.

Justice of peace—(D) Jan J. Cessay, R. P. Wilson; (R) J. F. Giffin.

Constable — (D) Joe Gilbert, Raymond Livingood, Mike Mrenok, Steve Yanosik, Jr.; (R) Arnold Dami, August Dhans, Frank Mrenak.

Judge of elections—(D) none filed in any of four precincts; (R) first precinct, R. B. Retzer; none filed in other precincts.

Inspector—(D) first precinct, Milton Marquis; none filed in others; (R) first, M. Reed Welch, Jr.; none filed in other precincts.

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Cross Creek

Supervisor—(D) R. L. Adamson, Alex E. Paris, George Pollack, Jr., (R) John Debelak.

School director, two to be nominated—(D) Flora Batove, Morris Browarsky, John H. Gordon, Frank Krezanosky; (R) J. Leroy Lee, C. M. Rea.

Auditor—(D) Marion Pollack; (R) A. M. Gardner, S. Paul Ritchey.

Constable—(D) Pete Christy, Joe Pascuzzi; (R) George Wilson.

Judge of elections—(D) First precinct, Ellis Zellars; second, none filed; third, Clinton Wilson; (R) First precinct, C. W. McNelly; second, Robert Bruner; third, W. Kenneth Smith.

Inspector—(D) First precinct, S. E. Fryer; second, John Chverchko, Glenn A. Standley; third, Nan Johnson, Fannie Booker; (R) first, H. S. Lee; second, James Dhayer, Jr.; third, R. L. Cooke.

MISS HARRIET JOHNSON

The death of Miss Harriet Johnson, former resident of Washington County, occurred at the Dixmont Hospital Monday, October 30, 1939, at 12:10 a. m. She had been a patient there for a number of years.

Miss Johnson was 89 years of age. Death was caused by a stroke of paralysis.

She was a daughter of Henry and Catherine Johnson, and was born in the Cross Creek section.

Surviving are two nephews, Thomas Johnson and Edward Johnson, of Cross Creek Village, and a number of other relatives. Margaret Johnson, late of Independence, and Aaron Johnson, of Cross Creek, now deceased, were sister and brother.

The body was taken to the Howard Thompson Funeral Home, at Avella. Burial will be in the Independence Cemetery, Wednesday, about 3 o'clock.

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PETER WUSSICK

Funeral services for Peter Wussick, who died last Friday, November 3, in his home in Mt. Pleasant Township, Hickory, R. D., will be held Wednesday, November 8, at 3 o'clock, at 37 Tresley avenue, Carnegie.

Mr. Wussick was a native of the Ukraine. He and his family had resided for the last six to eight years on a farm in Mt. Pleasant Township.

Surviving are his wife and eight children, John, of the State of California; Nick and Mike, of Carnegie; Peter and Catherine, at home, and Anna, Rose and Stella.

Jefferson

Supervisor—(D) John W. Cunningham; (R) J. W. Dimit.

School director, two to be elected—(D) Paul Stewart, C. G. Boles; (R) C. H. Walker, Albert Miller.

Auditor—(D) Edward Cunningham; (R) Louis Wiegmann.

Justice of peace, two to be elected—(D-R) A. C. Robertson; (R) John Boles; (R) Edward Bytheway.

Constable—(D) Harry Ryan; (R) A. J. CcAffery.

Judges of elections—First precinct, (D) Lawrence Pettibon; (R) Paul V. Wiegmann; second precinct, (D) Coley James; (R) Raymond Frye; third precinct, (D) John Cassidy; (R) Bartram Yoders.

Inspectors—First precinct, (D) C. R. Kidd; (R) John Sugick, Jr.; second precinct, (D-R) Agnes Bytheway; third precinct, (D) Joseph Olenick; (R) Josephine Ferguson.

Federation Poetry Winners Gained Awards Previously

In reviewing the winners of the 1939 spring contest, Mrs. Maxfield received first prize in the conventional verse division of the poetry contest held at the Fall meeting of Washington County Federation of Women's Clubs, it may be noted that all have won recognition in previous contests.

Mrs. C. J. Herron, who was awarded first prize in the conventional verse division, was the winner of the second prize in the modern verse division of 1939 spring contest. Mrs. Herron is a member of the Mt. Pleasant Township Farm Women's Club.

the 1939 spring contest, Mrs. Maxfield received first prize in the conventional division, and at the 1938 spring meeting, she won third place.

The five winning poems of the conventional division follow:

MY DEAR NEIGHBOR Mrs. J. C. Herron

I knew you there, although we seldom met; I could look down, and tho' I saw you not I sensed you, busy with accustomed tasks, And knew that if I needed you, you'd come, Neighborly, with loving kindness to my aid. And so I've thought about you thro' the years And I have gone my way, serene and sure Knowing I had so good a friend so near. And then this morning I looked down, and tho' All seemed as usual, still I felt a want. A heaviness of spirit, "Why?" I thought; And then remembered that you were not there And that so much was lacking, lacking you.

Birthday Party Near Hickory

Mr. and Mrs. J. Meneely, of near Hickory entertained at a surprise birthday party in honor of their son, George, at their home. Guests were present from Reawood, Hickory and Canonsburg. Dancing was enjoyed and refreshments were served. Mr. Meneely received many gifts from his friends.

Visitors At Hickory

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McElroy and daughter, Linda Jean, of Ashtabula, O., were guests of their aunt, Miss Belle Rankin, of Hickory. They were en route to Philadelphia to visit Mr. McElroy's sister, Mrs. W. S. Niederhauser.

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Hickory Fireside Club Meets

The Fireside Club, composed of the young married couples of the Mt. Prospect Church, of Hickory, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Dinsmore last Friday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Carter assisting.

Alvin White, recently elected president of the club, had charge of the short business session. Music was the topic chosen by the program committee of which Raymond Henderson was chairman. All took part in the group singing. Mrs. Martha Rankin, of Washington, a former member of Mt. Prospect, was the guest soloist. The Mt. Prospect male quartet composed of C. S. Thomas, Walter Campbell, A. C. Stamy and Raymond Henderson sang. The social hour was spent in playing parlor games after which a delicious lunch was served. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. George Baker, Rev. and Mrs. C. S. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Thompson White, Mr. and Mrs. Clare White, Walter Campbell, Richard Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin White Dr. and Mrs. E. H. White, Mr. and Mrs. Jules Beaumariage, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Henderson, Mrs. Martha Allender, A. C. Stamy, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Carter, Mr. and Mrs. John C. Dinsmore, and Miss Elsie and Master Glenn Dinsmore.

Bell-Ahrns Marriage

Miss Elva Lois Ahrns, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Ahrns, of McDonald, R. D. 4, and John Everett Bell, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Alvan Bell, of Rea, R. D. 1, were united in marriage Monday Nov. 13 at 10:30. The ceremony was performed at the home of the former pastor of the bridegroom, the Rev. R. B. Wilson, pastor of the Center Presbyterian Church, of McMurray, Pa.

The bride wore a dress of wine crepe with brown accessories and a shoulder corsage of yellow rosebuds. Mrs. Be. is a graduate of the Hickory High School with the class of 1938 and Mr. Bell with the class of 1935. Mr. Bell is an employe of the A. A. Haines Hardware, of Burgettstown. After a short trip through Virginia they will be at home to their friends at the home of the bride's parents.

MRS. JAMES B. FERGUSON

Mrs. Elvira Ferguson, 86, daughter of the late Jonathan and Nancy Leech Beard, and widow of James B. Ferguson, died at the North Wheeling Hospital at 11:35 a. m. Monday, November 13, 1939.

She was born March 4, 1853, at Independence, and spent her entire life in the Avella district, except for the last three years, during which she lived in Wellsburg, W. Va.

Mrs. Ferguson was for many years a member of the Avella Presbyterian Church.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. M. R. Johnston, of Wellsburg, W. Va.; Mrs. Roy Farrer, of McDonald, and Mrs. Stanley T. Andrews, of Rea R. D. 1; four sons, J. A. Ferguson, of Rea R. D. 1; Frank B. Ferguson, of California State; John S. Ferguson, of Connellsville, and Claude Ferguson, of Avella R. D. 1. One son, Ashley, died in 1901. There are 17 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held in the home of her son, J. A. Ferguson, Rea, R. D. 1, Thursday, November 16, 1939 at 2 o'clock, in charge of the Rev. E. C. Crabb, of the Avella Presbyterian Church. Burial will be in the Independence Cemetery.

SAMUEL FARRER

Samuel Farrer, 68, widely known throughout the Independence Township community, died suddenly of a heart attack in his home at Independence Thursday at 9 a. m. Mr. Farrer was a retired carpenter and had spent his entire life in that community. He was unusually active until a year ago.

A son of the late Samuel and Mary Dunkle Farrer, Mr. Farrer was born in Hopewell Township, March 18, 1871. His father was a county commissioner when the present Washington County Courthouse was built.

Mr. Farrer never married. He leaves two sisters and a brother: Mrs. Nettie Grimes, Claysville; Mrs. Ernest Smith, Avella, R. D. 1, and John Farrer, Buffalo Village. Twelve nephews and four nieces also survive.

Funeral services will be held in the home of Mrs. Ernest Smith Saturday at 2:30 p. m. Burial will be in the West Middletown Cemetery.

MRS. ANDREW MURCHLAND

Emma Murchland, widow of Andrew Murchland, died Sunday, November 12, 1939, in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Frank La Rue, of Follansbee, W. Va., where she had made her home since the death of her husband. For many years they lived west of Hanlin Station, in Brooke County.

Mrs. Murchland is survived by Mrs. La Rue, with whom she resided; Mrs. Harry McConnell, of Steubenville, O.; Mrs. Mechlin, of near the Tent Methodist Church, and one brother, Garrett Murchland, also of near the Tent church.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday, November 14, at 2:30 o'clock, in the La Rue home in Follansbee. Burial will be in the St. Johns Cemetery, between Eldersville and Follansbee.

JOHN H. DAVIDSON

John H. Davidson, 82, who spent his boyhood at Buffalo, died Wednesday morning, November 8, 1939, at his home at Weirton Heights.

He was a son of Samuel and Rosanna Davidson. He had lived in the Weirton district since he was a young man, being employed in the mills at that place.

Surviving, besides several children, are two brothers and two sisters. S. A. Davidson, of Hickory; David Davidson, of Washington; Mrs. Mary McElroy, of Buffalo; Mrs. Jessie Jones, of Washington, R. D.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, November 11, at 1 o'clock, in the Frankfort Presbyterian Church. Burial will be at the Upper Buffalo Cemetery, at Buffalo.

MARGARET J. M'FADDEN

Miss Margaret J. McFadden, daughter of Thomas and Alicia Chapman McFadden and a native of West Middletown, died Nov. 2, 1939, at her home in Salem, Ore., in her 88th year.

Miss McFadden went to Oregon from West Middletown with her family about 56 years ago, and she taught for many years there in a government Indian school. She had made several visits back to her old home and had always kept in close touch with her friends and relatives in this district, and was widely acquainted and highly respected. She was a grand-niece of Bishop Alexander Campbell, a fact in which she always took pride.

Miss McFadden was injured in August of 1938 when she and her sister, Mrs. Alice B. Frazell, were struck by an automobile while crossing a street near their home. Mrs. Frazell died a short time later, but Miss McFadden had apparently recovered when she was suddenly stricken last week. She was the last member of her family.

Funeral services will be held at West Middletown from the home of her nephew, Charles McFadden, Saturday, Nov. 11, at 2:30 p. m., with the Rev. Walter Ralston in charge. Burial will be in West Middletown Cemetery.

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November 13, 1939. M. B. Armstrong, Sheriff, to Edward Eiler Lumber Co., et al., interest of Cheesebrough and Patterson Co. in two tracts of land in Cross Creek Township, area not given; upon which is a one-story frame building with basement and other buildings; sold at the suit of Edward Eiler Lumber Co., et a.; \$230.

MRS. CHARLES C. COATES
Mrs. Kathryn Elizabeth Coates, of Hickory, wife of Charles C. Coates, died in her home Sunday night at 6 o'clock, Nov. 19, 1939, after an illness of several years.

Mrs. Coates was born at McKeesport, Aug. 7, 1871, and had resided for the last 35 years at Hickory, where her husband has served for that period as station agent of the Pittsburgh & West Virginia Railroad.

Surviving, besides her husband, are one daughter, Mrs. May D. Alberta, of Carnegie, and one sister, Mrs. Joseph Kimmely, of Pittsburgh.

The body will be at the Thomas Funeral Home in Hickory after 1 o'clock this afternoon. Private funeral services will be held there tonight at 8 o'clock. The body will be taken at 8 a. m. Tuesday to Plumer, where private burial services will be held.

FREDERICK C. COATES
Frederick C. Coates, 73, died Sunday, Dec. 17, 1939, at his home, 221 Fallowfield avenue, Charleroi, following a year's illness.

Mr. Coates, who was born at Custer City, Pa., was a blacksmith and followed that trade at Monongahela and at Charleroi, moving to the latter town in 1893. For more than a score of years he was employed at the MacBeth glass plant at Charleroi. He was a member of Charleroi Council 225, Jr. O. U. A. M.

Surviving are his wife, Elizabeth Sullivan Coates; one daughter, Mrs. Rosella Gillette, at home; one son Harry Coates, of Donora; two brothers, Charles Coates of Hickory, and George Coates of Bradford; one sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Daley of Wilkes Barre; and the following grandchildren: Miss Lorraine Gillette, of Charleroi, Frederick and William Coates of Donora.

Friends will be received in the Lawrence B. Frye Funeral Home at Charleroi, where funeral services will be held Wednesday at 2 p. m., with the Rev. Byron R. Mahan in charge. Burial will be in Monongahela Cemetery.

SPECIAL SERVICE FOR HICKORY K. OF P. LODGE

HICKORY, Nov. 9.—The second annual church service for the Knights of Pythias and Pythian Sisters will be held in the Mt. Prospect Presbyterian Church of Hickory Sunday evening at 8 o'clock. Members of neighboring lodges in Washington and Greene Counties have been invited. Music will be provided by an all-Pythian chorus and the service will be conducted by the Rev. C. S. Thomas, pastor of the host church and prelate of Hickory Lodge No. 125. The order will gather in the vestibule of the church and march to reserved seats in a body. A committee will wait at the lodge hall until 7:45 to meet and escort any visitors who happen to go there before the service.

TO CONFER DEGREE AT DISTRICT K. OF P. MEET

The rank of Knight will be conferred on a class of candidates from Washington, Claysville and Burgettstown lodges of Knights of Pythias at a ceremony to be held in Castle Hall, Hancock Lodge No. 231, in North Main street, Washington, Friday night, *Dec 8, 1939*

The degree will be conferred by the degree team of Lorena Lodge No. 198 of Pittsburgh.

Members from the second and third districts of the County, including Burgettstown, Canonsburg, Hickory, Claysville and Midway are invited, and members residing in Washington are especially urged to attend.

DEC. 7, 1939

JOHN BIANCHI
John Bianchi, 49, Avella, died in Washington Hospital at 8:55 a. m., yesterday. He was admitted to the Hospital on November 19, for an operation. He was an employe of the Jefferson Gas Coal Company. The body has been removed to the Howard Thompson Funeral Home, Avella, pending completion of funeral arrangements.

JAMES EDWARD KENNEDY
James Edward Kennedy, aged four months and five days, son of James and Alice Sullengber Kennedy, of Eldersville, died Wednesday evening, November 29.

Funeral services will be held in the home at 11 o'clock Saturday morning, December 2. Burial will be in the Monongahela Cemetery.

DEGREE CONFERRED AT DISTRICT K. OF P. MEET

Washington
Dec. 8. — Ruff The Rank of Knight, highest degree in the Knights of Pythias Order, was conferred upon a class of five last night at a district ceremony held in the hall of Hancock Lodge No. 231 in North Main street, Washington.

The degree team of Lorena Lodge No. 198, Pittsburgh, gave an excellent presentation of the degree work in conducting the ceremony which was attended by a capacity gathering from the Second and Third Districts of the County.

Those who received the Rank of Knight were Francis Wilson, Gaylord Reynolds, and Vernon Davis, all of Claysville Lodge No. 121, and Ralph Martin and James Kimberland, both of Silver Cliff Lodge No. 300, of Burgettstown.

Refreshments were served after the ceremony.

CHARLES W. SEIK

Charles W. Seik, 61, a retired farmer, died at his home, Oakdale, R. D., from a complication of illness yesterday at 12:55 a. m. He had been ill for about two months.

Born in Hickory, February 24, 1878, he lived in the district all his life, being active as a farmer until his retirement a few years ago. He was married to Minnie Shaffer, who survives him. Born to the marriage were the following children: Norman and O'Donald, of Washington, R. D. 1; Howard, of Oakdale; Mrs. George Chips, of Taylorstown; Mrs. Leota Monasterlio, of Cross Creek, and Mrs. Elda Barringer, of Arden. Twelve grandchildren and two brothers, Henry, of Hickory, R. D., and Edward, of McDonald, R. D., also survive.

The body has been removed to the Speakman funeral home, Houston, where it will remain until 9 a. m. today, when it will be removed to the home of his son, Norman Seik, where funeral services will be held Wednesday at 1:30 p. m., in charge of the Rev. Harry B. Ernest, of Washington. Burial will be in Candor Cemetery, near Midway. **DEC. 5 1939**

Recovering From Illness

S. A. Davidson, Hickory, is recovering after a serious illness. Last month Mr. Davidson was a patient in Washington Hospital, where he underwent an emergency operation for hernia. After his discharge from the hospital he and Mrs. Davidson went to visit their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Baumann, of East McKeesport. While there Mr. Davidson became ill of grippe. He has now recovered sufficiently to be around the house. Mr. and Mrs. Davidson hope to be able to return to their home soon. **11-30-39**

*Mrs. Coates died Nov 5, 1947
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JAMES E. DEER

James Eltringham Deer, 56, died at 7:30 o'clock Wednesday night, December 6, 1939, after an illness of several months.

Mr. Deer, a son of the late Charles and Sarah Ann Eltringham Deer, was born September 3, 1883, at Beadling, and lived in Midway the last 25 years. He was a member of the Center United Presbyterian Church and of the Knights of Pythias Lodge.

March 21, 1913, he married Miss Ida Gilles, who survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Alice Marie, and the following brothers and sisters: Thomas Deer, of Studa; Henry and Hugh Deer, of Midway; William Deer, of Avella; Mrs. Mary Jane Hibbs, of Lincoln Hill; Mrs. John Davis, of Arnold, and Mrs. Rene Freville, of Bulger.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, December 9, at 2 o'clock, in the home, in charge of his pastor, the Rev. Alfred Hubbard. Burial will be in the Center Cemetery.

MRS. SELLERS FALLS AND BREAKS SHOULDER
1939

DEER LICK, Dec. 15.—Mrs. A. M. Sellers fractured her left shoulder, when she fell in her bedroom at her home at Deer Lick. She had just returned home from Waynesburg. Mrs. Sellers had apparently been in her usual health, but upon her arrival home, she entered her bedroom to put away her wraps when she fainted and fell to the floor striking her shoulder.

Deer Lick

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Rouch, of Pine Lake, O.; Mrs. C. R. Fettke and daughter, Virginia, of Pittsburgh, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Loughman, of near Dunns Station, were called to the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Sellers, because of the illness of their mother, Mrs. Sellers, caused from a fractured shoulder. Other guests in the Sellers home were Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Douglas and sons, Raymond and James, and Mrs. Charles Stewart, of Pittsburgh; C. C. Dunn and son, James Dunn, and Mrs. Lawrence Dunn, of Prosperity.

Miss Virginia Fettke, who is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Sellers, is enjoying a three-week Christmas vacation. Miss Fettke is a student in a private girls' school at Devon, near Philadelphia, this being her first visit home since she entered this school in June. Miss Fettke is a daughter of Prof. and Mrs. C. R. Fettke, of Pittsburgh.

FRANK WESTLAKE

Frank Westlake, 53, proofreader for The Observer, was found dead in his room at the Shank Hotel, North Main street, Friday at 1:45 p. m., death having been due to a heart attack.

He had been in poor health for several days and had been absent from work. However, he had apparently been recovering from his illness, and was able to work the past three nights.

He was found by another roomer at the hotel who went to his room to awaken him. Westlake had lived at the hotel for the past six months.

He was a son of the late J. Fletcher and Mary Fouche Westlake and was born April 9, 1886, in Independence, where he spent his early years. For some time he was employed as a bookkeeper and teller in the Lincoln National Bank at Avella, and also did clerical work for several coal companies in Avella. He had been employed by the Observer Publishing Company for the past two years.

He leaves one brother, E. F. Westlake, supervising principal of East Washington schools, and one sister, Mrs. Elliott Scott, of near Rea.

Mr. Westlake received his education in the Independence schools and graduated from the Independence Township High School. He then entered the Washington Business College and completed a commercial course. His church membership was in the First Methodist Church of Washington.

The body was removed to the W. B. Ritchie Funeral Home, East Wheeling street, where funeral services will be held this evening at 7:30 o'clock, conducted by the Rev. John S. Allison, pastor of the First Methodist Church. Burial will be in the Independence Cemetery about 2:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon, where short services will be held at the grave. **DEC. 1939**

McTaggart-Wilson Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. R. Parker Wilson, Hickory, have announced the marriage of their daughter, Elizabeth Rebecca, to James Charles McTaggart, son of Mr. and Mrs. John McTaggart, Vanport. The ceremony was performed in the Mt. Prospect Presbyterian Church by the bride's pastor, the Rev. C. S. Thomas, Friday evening, December 15, 1939. After June 1, 1940, Mr. and Mrs. McTaggart will be at home in Beaver County.

Personals

Mrs. A. M. Sellers was taken to the Washington Hospital, where X-ray pictures were taken to reveal the extent of a shoulder injury, sustained in a fall at her home. The X-ray showed a broken collarbone. Mrs. Sellers has returned home and is resting as comfortably as can be expected.

PUBLIC SALE

We, the undersigned administrators of the estate of Dora E. Cowden, will offer at public sale at the late residence in Hickory, Pa.,

SATURDAY, NOV. 25, 1939,

At 1 P. M.

the following household goods, consisting of kitchen, dining room, living room and bedroom furniture; several 9x12 rugs, a good Norge electric refrigerator, good gas range, several gas heating stoves and electric A-B-C washer in good condition; some antiques, and other household articles.

Terms, cash on household goods. One 1939 Plymouth sedan, drive, less than 4,000 miles; terms of car, cash or 40% cash and balance can be financed if desired.

J. ARD COWDEN,
W. LEE COWDEN,
JOHN R. COWDEN,

155561-2L. Administrators.

MRS. JOHN C. AMSPOKER

Mrs. Margaret Jane Amspoker, 79, wife of John C. Amspoker, died at her home near Eldersville Sunday night at 11:30 o'clock, Nov. 19, 1939, following a stroke suffered two weeks ago.

Mrs. Amspoker was born Jan. 13, 1860, a daughter of Andrew and Clarissa Hallstead, and had spent her entire life in the Eldersville community. She was a member of the Community Club of that district and of the Tent Church.

She was united in marriage with John C. Amspoker Oct. 28, 1880, and on Oct. 28 of this year they celebrated their 59th wedding anniversary.

Surviving, besides her husband, are three daughters. Mrs. Raymond Brown, of Hollidays Cove, W. Va.; Mrs. Clarence Boles, of Eldersville, and Miss Zelma Amspoker, at home; one sister, Mrs. Elmer R. Criss, of New Kensington; and two grandchildren, Zelma Rae Brown and Arlene Boles. Mrs. Robert B. South, of Washington, and Mrs. L. L. Cummins are nieces.

Funeral services will be held at the family home at 2:30 p. m. Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Loughman, of near Dunns Station, were dinner guests of the latter's father, A. M. Sellers, and son, James Sellers. Mr. Sellers has received word that his wife, Mrs. A. M. Sellers, who is in Pittsburgh visiting her daughter, Mrs. C. R. Fettke, and receiving treatment for rheumatic arthritis in her hand and fingers, shows slight improvement. Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Rouch, of Pine Lake, O., spent two days visiting in the Fettke home, and visiting Mrs. Rouch's mother, Mrs. Sellers. **2-27-40**

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ADA L. BUXTON

The death of Ada L. Buxton occurred at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. John C. Buxton, of Independence, Sunday night at 11:20 o'clock following an illness of several months. She was aged 15 years, having been born in Independence June 28, 1924. For the past four and one-half years she had resided with her aunt, Mrs. T. C. Castle, of Detroit. She attended the Detroit schools and was a junior in the Northern High School at Detroit. She had been ill for many months with an infection of the blood stream and other complications. Detroit clinics failed to find a cure for the affliction and six weeks ago she was brought to the home of her grandmother in Independence. She is survived by her grandmother, Mrs. John C. Buxton, her mother, Mrs. John Smith, of Independence, three aunts and two uncles.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Independence M. E. Church, in charge of the pastor, the Rev. J. W. Shrader. Interment will be in the Independence Cemetery.

Home For Christmas

Hickory students spending their vacations at home included, Wayne Scott, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Scott.

Jeanne Leckey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Leckey and Lois Carlisle, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. W. M. Carlisle home from Indiana State Teachers College, Indiana.

Betty White, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin White attending Pennsylvania State College.

Gretta Scott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Scott home from Pitt University, Pittsburgh.

Olive Paul, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Paul, in hospital training, Columbia Hospital, Pittsburgh, spent Friday at her home.

Ralph Woods, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Woods, home from Washington and Jefferson College.

Fireside Club Meets

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. White with Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Smith assisting were host and hostess to the members of the Fireside Club of the Mt. Prospect Church of Hickory. A short business meeting in charge of the vice president, Walter Campbell, was held. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Smith, Mrs. Glenn Stewart and Mr. and Mrs. Jules Beaumariage presented a Christmas program, Martha, Ruth and Mary Vale sang a Christmas carol. Following the program, there was an exchange of gifts and lunch was served during the social hour.

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MRS. JOHN SMITH

Mrs. Jennie Bartilson Smith, 83, widow of John Smith, died at her home in Hopewell Township near West Middletown Saturday afternoon at 3:15 o'clock, November 25, 1939, after an illness of several months.

A daughter of the late Benjamin and Pauline Horn Bartilson, Mrs. Smith was born in Hopewell Township and had spent virtually all her life there. She was a member of Upper Buffalo Presbyterian Church and was active in church affairs as long as her health permitted.

Surviving are one daughter, Annabelle, wife of A. J. Rush, of Avella, R. D.; two sons, Dr. J. B. Smith, of Pittsburgh, and I. B. Smith, of West Middletown; a stepson, James A. Smith, of Wolfdale; one sister, Mrs. E. M. Jolley, of Claysville, and three grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held in the home this afternoon at 1:30 o'clock, with her pastor, the Rev. J. M. Briceland, in charge. Burial will be in Claysville Cemetery.

THOMAS W. VANCE

Thomas W. Vance, 84, of Steubenville, O., passed away at Ohio Valley Hospital in Steubenville, November 11, after a three-year illness. He was born in 1855 at the old Vance homestead in Smith Township, a son of the late John Stockton and Emily Jerome Vance. He received his education at the local schools and later at a school in Poughkeepsie, N. Y. In 1878 he moved to Steubenville and engaged in the real estate business.

Over a period of many years, Mr. Vance held many positions in the Jefferson County, O., government and was very active in the civic and social life of Steubenville. In 1883 he married Miss Mary Finnegan, now deceased, and is survived by the following children to that union: Nina, wife of Judge J. S. Paisley, and Earl and Anne, all of Steubenville; another son, John S. Vance, died at Camp Lee during the World War. He is also survived by six grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, one brother, John F. Vance, of Philadelphia, and one sister, Mrs. L. E. Foster, of Burgettstown.

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. on November 13th in Steubenville. Interment was in the Union Cemetery at Steubenville.

SOCIETY

Engagement Announced

Mrs. John M. Morrison, of Hickory, entertained Friday evening, November 17, at her home in honor of her daughter, Mary Edna, who will become the bride of Ray Marshall Crowthers Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Crowthers, of Elizabeth, on December 25. Cards and parlor games were the diversions of the evening, prizes being awarded to Mrs. Anna Paxton, of Houston; Mrs. Gene Rogerson, of West Elizabeth, and Miss Edith Scott, of Hickory. Following the games the guests were invited to the dining room, appropriately decorated for the occasion with beautiful tall candles lighting the tables. Lunch was served. Mrs. Morrison was assisted in serving by Mrs. Kline Cowden, Mrs. Marcus O'Toole, Mrs. Hiram Reedy, and Miss Mabel Kelly. During the lunch a small scroll was discovered in the favors disclosing the wedding date. Those present were: Miss Betty Crowthers and Mrs. Gene Rogerson, of West Elizabeth; Mrs. Anna Paxton and Mrs. Elizabeth Grimm, of Houston; Mrs. Mildred Banks, of Woodrow; Miss Alice McPeak, of McDonald; Mrs. Martha Miller, Mrs. Leman McCarrell, Mrs. John McDowell, Mrs. Alvin Simpson, Miss Helen Retzer, Miss Mabel Stitt, Miss Wannetta Malone, Miss Edith, Scott, Miss Barbara Myers, Mrs. Don McCalmont and the honor guest, all of Hickory.

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JACK LIGGETT LEAVES FOR ARTILLERY SERVICE

Jack Liggett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Liggett, of Rea R. D. 1, left recently for Fort Monroe, Va., to join the United States Coast Artillery.

HARRY O. BELL

Harry O. Bell, 47, husband of Mrs. Mae Mathews Bell and World War veteran well known in the Burgettstown district where he spent most of his life, died Wednesday, Dec. 20, 1939, at the National Soldiers Home, Dayton, O.

"Jack" as he was known to his many friends, was born in Carnegie, Feb. 26, 1892, but spent most of his life at Burgettstown.

Mr. Bell saw service during the World War as a member of the 209th Engineers, Camp Mead, Md., and was a member of the Burgettstown Volunteer Fire Department.

Mrs. Bell survives with a daughter, Dolores. He leaves his mother, Mrs. Amanda Bell, Burgettstown, and the following brothers and sisters: William, Midway; George, Canton, O.; Earl, Cleveland; Mrs. Mary McCoy, Burgettstown and Mrs. Marie Bollington, Pittsburgh.

Funeral services will be held Sunday, Dec. 24, at 2 p. m., at the Lee & Wilson funeral home, Burgettstown, conducted by the Rev. R. C. Sutton. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery.

HENRY E. RHODES

Henry E. Rhodes, 80, died in his home, on Church street, Burgettstown, Monday, December 25, at 8 a. m., of a cerebral hemorrhage.

Mr. Rhodes was born at West Springfield, March 13, 1859, and was a resident of Burgettstown the last 23 years. He was a member of the Midway Baptist Church.

He leaves his wife, Sarah Barber Rhodes.

Funeral services will be held in the Lee & Wilson Funeral Home, Burgettstown, Wednesday, December 27, at 2 p. m., in charge of the Rev. William Furkey, pastor of the Westminster Presbyterian Church of Burgettstown. Burial will be in the Chestnut Ridge Cemetery.

Crowthers-Morrison Wedding

Before a pine embanked setting the wedding of Miss Mary Edna Morrison, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Morrison, Hickory, and Ray Marshall Crowthers, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Crowthers, West Elizabeth, was solemnized in the home of the bride at half after three on Christmas Day. The Rev. R. L. Stevenson of the Mt. Pleasant United Presbyterian Church, performed the double ring ceremony. Preceding the service, Miss Edith Scott played wedding music. To the strains of Lohengrin's wedding march the bride entered, attired in white moire taffeta and velvet with a finger tip tulle veil cascading from a crown of orange blossoms. She carried white roses showered with lilies of the valley. Miss Elsie Scott, Hickory, maid of honor, wore a gown of wine chiffon velvet and carried a bouquet of pink roses and snapdragons. Mrs. John K. Borland, Jr., Washington, as bridesmatron and Miss Grace Cowden, Hatfield, bridesmaid were gowned in blue chiffon velvet and carried talisman roses and snapdragons. Ray Braum, Elizabeth, served as best man and Kenneth Finfinger also of Elizabeth as usher. The bride's mother wore black brocaded crepe and a corsage of roses. The bridegroom's mother wore green crepe with a rose corsage. A reception followed at which time a buffet supper was served to 35 guests. Mr. Crowthers graduated from Clairton High School and California State Teachers College. Mrs. Crowthers graduated from Hickory Vocational High School and attended school in Columbus, Ohio and was employed in the Hickory-Woodrow telephone office. After a wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Crowthers will reside in their newly constructed home in West Elizabeth where the former is instructor of Industrial Arts in West Elizabeth School.

MRS. DAVID H. WELSH

Mrs. Lydia Jane Welsh died at her home at Midway, Thursday, December 28, 1939, at 4:30 p. m., after a lingering illness.

She was a daughter of Samuel and Susan Harrington Young, and was born in Hopedale, O., November 27, 1856. She was married to David Henry Welsh, August 12, 1885, at Hopedale, O. She resided in this vicinity for the last several years.

Besides her husband, she leaves the following children: Willard S. Welsh, of Burgettstown; Mrs. Nellie Wickwire, of Midway; Mrs. C. C. Perry, of Huron, O.; Mrs. Marguerite Berty, of Midway, and Mrs. Olga Freshwater, of Cecil.

Funeral services were held in the home Friday, December 29, at 8 o'clock, in charge of the Rev. Alfred Hubbard, of the Center United Presbyterian Church, of Midway. A service will be held at 2 p. m. Saturday, December 30, at Hopedale, O., also in charge of Rev. Hubbard. Burial will be in the Hopedale Cemetery.

**C. A. HAMILTON,
LANGELOTH, DIES**

Chairman of Washington County Board of Public Assistance, He Had Long Been Active in Public Affairs.

FUNERAL ON WEDNESDAY

Charles A. Hamilton, 65, of Langeloth, one of Washington County's prominent citizens, active in civic and church affairs over a long period, died Sunday, Dec. 31, at 5:30 p. m. at his home following a serious illness of several weeks.

Mr. Hamilton was born in West Elizabeth Jan. 17, 1874, but had resided in Washington County the greater part of his life and was employed by the American Zinc and Chemical Company at Langeloth for 25 years, retiring Sept. 1 of this year.

At the time of his death, Mr. Hamilton was serving as chairman of the Washington County Board of Public Assistance. He first served in this capacity on the original County Assistance Board during the administration of former Governor Gifford Pinchot. He was reappointed by Governor Arthur H. James.

For a period of 15 years, Mr. Hamilton served as a member of the School Board of Smith Township.

As a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Burgettstown, Mr. Hamilton had served as a member of the session for 22 years and held various other offices in the congregation during his membership.

Fraternally, Mr. Hamilton was a member of the Homestead Masonic Lodge No. 582 for 43 years and had served as president of the Lions Club of Burgettstown.

Mr. Hamilton leaves his wife, Mary Cooley Hamilton, and two sons, Robert, Syracuse, N. Y., and Charles, of Langeloth. He leaves two sisters, Mrs. Park Davis, 115 McClure, Munhall and Mrs. Charles A. Gilmore, of Highlaud Park, Mich.

Funeral services will be held at the Hamilton home, 516 West Fifth avenue, Langeloth, at 1:30 o'clock, Wednesday afternoon. Interment will be in the Hopewell-Hebron Cemetery.

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SUPERVISORS IN MOUNT PLEASANT NAME OFFICERS

Samuel Wilson Named President and Also Elected Superintendent of Roads—Balances Are Reported.

OTHER NEWS OF DISTRICT

HICKORY, Jan. 6, 1940—The road supervisors of Mt. Pleasant Township reorganized for the year, planned the program for 1940, reported balances on hand in various accounts, and paid tribute to the retiring member of the board.

Samuel Wilson was elected president, and Charles C. Coats was reelected secretary and treasurer. L. A. McCalmont is the other member. J. R. Irvin Knox was retained as solicitor and the First National Bank of McDonald was chosen as depository.

Samuel Wilson was elected superintendent of roads.

The work for the coming year was outlined and to better the roads the Board decided to buy a road grader. Bids will be asked in the near future.

Due to efficient management of last year, substantial balances remain in the treasury. Approximately \$16,000 remains in the sinking fund; \$2,200 in current expenses; \$950 in the state funds, and \$386 in the light account. This is the first year since electricity has been available in the township that it has carried its own expense.

The work was accomplished on a two-and-one-half mill tax levy. One and three-fourth mills is required to pay interest and retire bonds, leaving three-fourths mill for actual road work.

Under the new state regulations the treasurer is required to make affidavit to the department at Harrisburg every 90 days stating the number of each warrant, to whom it is drawn and for what purpose.

Joseph M. Carlisle, Hickory, who retired from the Board on Monday, closed a long career of road construction. Mr. Coates and Mr. Wilson attested to his efficient work and faithfulness in attending meetings and in discharging all duties.

Mr. Carlisle has been an advocate of good roads for many years and in 1908 constructed one of the first brick roads in the township. This road was that leading from Main street, Hickory, to the station on the Wabash railroad.

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MARY ELIZABETH ANDERSON

Miss Mary Elizabeth Anderson, 22, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. B. Anderson, died at her home, 524 Central avenue, at 9:15 a. m. yesterday. She has not been in good health for four years and had been seriously ill for two weeks.

She was born March 31, 1917, at Hastings, Neb. She came to Washington with her family in 1926 when Dr. Anderson joined the faculty of Washington and Jefferson College. He is a professor in the Department of Philosophy.

Miss Anderson attended the East Washington public schools and was graduated from East Washington High school in 1935. She later attended Bethany College, Indiana State Teachers College, several summer sessions at W. & J. and was recently enrolled in the Art Department of Washington Seminary.

She was active in church work, having been a member of Second Presbyterian Church, of the church choir and of the France E. Ashbrook Missionary Society.

She leaves her parents and one sister, Martha Ellen, at home.

Friends will be received at the W. B. Ritchie Funeral Home, East Wheeling street, where funeral services will be held Thursday at 1:30 p. m. The Rev. George P. Atwell, former pastor of Second Presbyterian Church, will officiate. Burial will be made at Lisbon, O.

Miss Anderson was a grand-daughter of Rev. J. P. Anderson one time pastor of Cross Creek Presbyterian Church.

RESIDENCE NEAR HICKORY BURNS

Five-Room House on Edward Carlisle Property Destroyed—Bert Brown Family Loses Much of Furnishings.

ROAD BLOCKED BY SNOW

HICKORY, Jan. 7, 1940—Fire in mid-afternoon Saturday destroyed a five-room frame house on the Edward Carlisle property near Hickory which was built a number of years ago to replace a brick structure razed by flames about 1900.

The house was occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Bert Brown and their seven children. Much of their furnishings were lost in the fire.

Neighbors attempted to save the house, but did not call a fire department because, they said, the Hill Road leading past the property was so deeply drifted with snow they felt it would be impossible for a fire truck to get through.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown were away from home when the fire, apparently originating from a defective or overheated chimney, was discovered by their children. Neighbors were called by the children, but they were handicapped by lack of water and were able to save only the furnishings from the first floor. Those on the second floor were destroyed by the flames, which swept through the structure rapidly.

Loss for the owner of the property, Edward Carlisle of Steubenville, O., was estimated at between \$3,000 and \$3,500, while the Brown family's loss amounted to several hundred dollars more.

The Brown family was taken into the homes of neighbors, H. C. Warne and William Britt.

Older residents of the community recall that about 40 years ago fire destroyed a brick house on the same property, then owned by A. M. Carlisle, late of Burgettstown, father of the present owner. The frame house was erected to replace the brick structure at near the same location on the Hill Road leading from Hickory to Washington.

Because that road and others were drifting badly, public schools at Hickory were dismissed at noon Friday to make sure that school buses would be able to get through on their trips taking the pupils to their homes.

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10-Year Sleeper Awakens To Find U.S. Grown Jittery

Imaginary Van Winkle Studies Changes in The Average Man

AP Feature Service

OUR Mr. Rip (Average Man) Winkle has awakened from a 10-year nap—just in time to give his impressions of changes in the American scene since 1930.

His impressions, it should be noted, are important. For no approach to history is more significant than its meaning to the average man.

Rip looks first at his kindred—the average men he left behind a decade ago.

Jittery And Neurotic

He feels they are more jittery and neurotic now than then—what with economic uncertainties, wars and the breaking down of old ideals. For this impression he has good authority. Says Dr. Joseph Catton, prominent San Francisco psychiatrist:

"The average American today is less mentally comfortable, less happy than 10 years ago." Then, after mentioning the additional numbers in jails and mental hospitals today, the increases in unemployment, poor housing and inadequate feeding, he adds:

"His jitteriness and neuroticism has probably been based as much upon his being propagandized as on any other of many factors. One gets the jitters out of states of flux and indecision."

What disturbs Rip most is war talk and war news. Before his nap, politicians talked of peace, disarmament, reparations and whether Red Russia could join the League of Nations. Ten wars have been fought since 1930, he learns, and 3 of them are still in progress.

Eats Are Different

Getting down to other fundamentals, Rip discovers his fellowmen have changed their eating habits somewhat, continuing a trend towards more vegetable and dairy products. They are consuming quick-frozen foods in increasing quantities. In their wives' wardrobes are more substitutes for cotton, wool and linen fabrics. Women are talking about a new substitute for silk hose and what it may do to Japanese trade.

On his first walk, Rip discovers evidence of vastly increased government activity. "WPA Project" reads the sign, but he learns, too, of public works like Boulder Dam, projects like TVA. He finds a new face on parts of the country as a result of reforestation, soil conservation and tree belt work.

Rip's friends have shifted to the government some of their worries about the future by participating willy nilly in social security. They don't recognize the stigma they once did in "going on relief." Every eighth person is receiving public aid in some form. The public debt has jumped from 16 to more than 40 billion dollars.

Farmers who used to keep one eye on the weather, another on taxes, now watch also crop control regulations and benefit payment prospects. Rip hears the rich are groaning about redoubled inheritance and income taxes, notes many big estates have been broken up, town houses sold, philanthropies cut down.

Gold And Wise Guys

Rip's own friends tell of money lost in banks—2,294 suspended in one year—of the dollar gone off gold, of the world's largest gold horde buried in a Kentucky vault while European governments clamp on harsh regulations to keep a bit of the yellow stuff at home. Rip doesn't understand it all, wonders if the Wall street and Pennsylvania avenue wise guys do either.

Jobs aren't so easy to get any more, with about 9 million workers chronically unemployed. Rip wonders if he should have taken the 10 years off. His sons, just out of school and uncertain what to do next, are a worry.

Prohibition was a hot issue when he left. Now there are bars most everywhere. He reads a charge that "drinking among women has grown 10 times over."

Big time bootleggers, bank robbers, kidnapers seem to have disappeared but he hears of a new reign of racketeer.

Rip boasts he has better longevity prospects now than 10 years ago. He hears there's a new drug, sulfanilamide, that is uncanny at killing dangerous germs, and another, insulin, that shocks people back to sanity.

Most workers at his plant belong to a union now. He hears that labor unions have more members and are better protected by law; but weakened by fighting among themselves.

Cars are streamlined and faster; so are trains and planes. The street car track on Rip's street has been torn up to make way for a bus line. With Lindbergh a fresh memory, he'd like to take a hop on one of the trans-Atlantic ferries.

Rip's family still spends evenings at the movies, though he doesn't like the double-feature idea. The films seem cleaner, the troubles with sound have been cleared up, and some films are now in color. One of the boys is a candid camera fan, another a jitterbug. Both talk about television; also pro football and ice hockey—sports he hardly knows.

In A Word...

A DECADE ago, you wouldn't have known what these meant—

Alphabetic Agencies	Horse-and-Buggy Days
Anschluss	Jitterbug
Appeasement	Moratorium
Aryan	Munich
Autarchy	New Deal
Axis	Oomph
Blackout	Passive
Blitzkrieg	Resistance
Blue Eagle	Purge
Boondoggling	Quintuplets
Brain Trust	Racket-Buster
Candid Cameras	Reciprocal
CIO	Trade
Crop Control	Recession
Devaluation	Sanctions
Double Feature	Secondary
Dust Bowl	Picketing
Economic	Shelter Belt
Royalist	Sit-Down
Every-Man-A-King	Social Security
Fuehrer	Stratosphere
G-Man	Swing
Good Neighbors	Technicolor
Goon	Television
Hunger	Townsendites
Marchers	War of Nerves
	WPA

Ten Best Stories Of 1939

The 10 best news stories of 1939 begin and end on a note of war. Here is the list, picked by AP Feature Writer Beatty and a group of 12 AP news experts:

1. France and Great Britain declare war on Germany.
2. British royalty visits America.
3. Congress repeals the arms embargo.
4. Cardinals elect Pacelli Pope Pius XII.
5. Assassin misses Hitler by 11 minutes.
6. Roosevelt to run—or not to run?
7. Thanksgiving debate.
8. Supreme Court outlaws the sit-down strike.
9. The Dies committee battles the 'isms.'
10. Fascist Franco wins Spanish civil war.

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War And Lindbergh Case Lead 10 Years' Headlines

By MORGAN M. BEATTY
AP Feature Service Writer

THE three-letter word that spells death and destruction rode the crest of the News Wave in the tumultuous Thirties! Specifically, the Allies' declaration of war on Germany leaped up out of the millions of headlines to the rank of Headline No. 1 for the 10 years.

That's the consensus of 12 AP news experts who helped me select the 10 best stories of the decade.

Crowding raucous Mars for maximum reader attention was the event in 1932 that stimulated the greatest expression of mass sympathy known in modern times. And close behind in third place was the love story that made the whole world kin for a few fleeting weeks in 1936.



MORGAN BEATTY

Here they are—the "ten best," as we ranked them:

1. Allies' declaration of war on Germany (1939).
2. Lindbergh kidnaping (1932).
3. Abdication of Edward VIII (1936).
4. Roosevelt bank holiday (1933).
5. Diplomatic victory of Hitler at Munich (1938).
6. Birth of the Dionne quintuplets (1934).
7. Repeal of prohibition (1933).
8. Death of Will Rogers and Wiley Post (1935).
9. British royal tour of America (1939).
10. Assassination of Huey Long (1935).

The board frankly allowed the magnetic pull of news events to overshadow historical significance, and just as frankly took a distinctly American stance in judgment.

Purely on the basis of American significance, the No. 4 selection is the most important of all. In selecting that story, we tried to catch the depression at its nadir and the Roosevelt New Deal recovery program at birth.

Only the day before that holiday was declared, President Roosevelt told the American public in his inaugural that the only thing to fear was fear itself.

That one statement of fact softened the impact of closing bank doors and gave a nation in the depths of despair the courage to take a 12-billion-dollar wallop in the pocketbook, and fight back.

Hitler At His Peak

The closing of the banks also ushered in the most sweeping program of social and economic change ever attempted in American history, and preceded a series of costly experiments whose right-or-wrong will resound in the debates of 1940.

At Munich, Hitler achieved his maximum brilliance. In that triumphant signing ceremony, he forced the most powerful empire in the world to give him "living room" for 80,000,000 Germans in central Europe. It was his over-weening reach a year later that drew Germany within the Russian orbit and catapulted the armies and navies of Europe into war.

The No. 6 choice took us to the sunny side of the street. It was the Dionne quintuplets—the first set

of five babies that ever came into the world alive—and stayed alive. They turned a little country doctor, Allan R. Dafoe, into a world figure.

In itself a story the public took in its stride, the repeal of prohibition crashed the gate of the select few primarily because connected with prohibition were many a violent and sensational news story.

Repeal signalled the end of power for Alphonse Capone, and ushered in the kidnaping era of American crime. The gangsters-turned-kidnapers gave striding J. Edgar Hoover the opportunity of a lifetime. Before the smoke cleared away, he had demolished a dozen-odd kidnaping gangs and solved 167 of the 169 kidnapings reported to the Department of Justice.

Will Rogers Dies

The airplane accident that killed Will Rogers took away a friend of millions of Americans, a man who was the spirit of American homespun humor.

The royal tour of America by King George and Queen Elizabeth lifted royalty out of the fairy books into real life for millions of Americans.

The assassination of Huey Long marked the end of the road for the only American citizen who ever dared to snatch a star from the Stars and Stripes and make it his personal empire.

What Is Left Out

The stories we picked won their places because we were hunting the events that, in our opinion, quickened the pulse of the reading public. We slurred over many events that will be more important to historians.

We left such stirring events as the Supreme Court fight and the relief of the unemployed with the also-rans, despite the fact that they were the two outstanding news serial stories of our times.

Likewise, the sensational sit-down strikes and the bonus march of 1932 on the nation's capital were overshadowed by other depression news.

We left out, too, the story that makes Page One every day—the weather. Like the Bible, it's a best seller that everybody takes for granted.

MRS. CARRIE W. BEDILLION

Mrs. Carrie Welsh Bedillion, of Cherry avenue, Houston, died Friday, July 19, 1940, at 1 a. m., at the home of relatives at Long Beach, Calif., where she was visiting.

Mrs. Bedillion, widow of James C. Bedillion, left late in May to attend the annual convention of the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church at Santa Ana, Calif., but had gone to Long Beach to visit before returning to her home.

Mrs. Bedillion, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James P. Welsh, was born on the Welsh farm in Charters Township, near the Cross Roads United Presbyterian Church and was educated in the schools of the township and at Slippery Rock Normal School. She was a school teacher prior to her marriage.

Mrs. Bedillion was a member of the First United Presbyterian Church, of Houston, and was active in all phases of church work.

Mrs. Bedillion is survived by a number of nieces and nephews, included among whom are William P. Welsh, of Moninger, and Edison Welsh, of Washington, R. D. 1. She also leaves a brother, Linus Welsh, of Springfield, Mo.

The body will arrive at the L. P. Speakman Funeral Home, Houston, Monday evening at 10 o'clock, and will be removed to the home, Cherry avenue, at 9 a. m., Tuesday.

Funeral services will be held in the Houston United Presbyterian Church, on Wednesday, July 24, at 2 p. m., in charge of the pastor of the church, the Rev. E. L. Haney. Burial will be in the Washington Cemetery.

A Headline Writer's History Of The Last Ten Years

1930: DEPRESSION—HITLER ON THE MARCH

Feb. 18—Garner lays "economic chaos" to President Hoover.
April 21—Fire kills 320 convicts in Ohio penitentiary.
April 22—London naval reduction treaty signed.
June 30—French army evacuates the Rhineland.
Oct. 5—British dirigible, R-101, crashes, killing 47.
Dec. 10—Value of stocks down \$11,500,000,000 in 11 months.

1931: DEATH TAKES A FOOTBALL IMMORTAL

March 31—Notre Dame's Knute Rockne, dies in plane crash.
April 14—King Alfonso abdicates Spanish throne.
June 20—Hoover asks moratorium on international debts.
Sept. 18—Japanese troops invade Manchuria.
Sept. 21—Great Britain goes off the gold standard.
Dec. 8—Jack ("Legs") Diamond, gangster, assassinated.

1932: THE CRIME OF THE DECADE

March 1—Lindbergh baby kidnaped from New Jersey home.
July 27—Hoover calls out U. S. army to suppress bonus riots.
Sept. 1—New York's Mayor Walker resigns, goes to Europe.
Sept. 27—Hurricane rips Puerto Rico, killing 300, injuring 3,400.
Nov. 8—Roosevelt elected President by overwhelming majority.

1933: ROOSEVELT, HITLER COME TO POWER

Jan. 30—Von Hindenburg asks Hitler to form German cabinet.
March 4—Franklin D. Roosevelt inaugurated.
March 6—Roosevelt closes all banks in U. S.
March 8—Roosevelt gets dictatorial powers over money.
June 13—Congress passes National Industrial Recovery act.
June 22—Hitler dissolves all German parties except Nazis.
Aug. 12—President Machado flees army revolt in Cuba.
Dec. 5—Prohibition repealed.

1934: DOLLFUSS, DROUGHT, DILLINGER

Jan. 31—U. S. government reduces gold value of dollar.
Feb. 19—Government cancels all air-mail contracts.

March 22—U. S. decides to free Philippines in 1945.
May 12—Drought in the west destroys winter wheat.
May 28—Dionne quintuplets born near Callander, Ontario.
June 30—Nazis shoot hundreds of Germans in blood purge.
July 22—G-Men kill John Dillinger, Public Enemy No. 1.
July 25—Vienna Nazis kill Chancellor Dollfuss of Austria.
October 9—King Alexander of Yugoslavia assassinated.

1935: AMERICA LOSES WILL ROGERS

Jan. 13—Residents of Saar vote return to Germany.
April 5—Congress passes \$4,880,000,000 work relief bill.
May 27—Supreme Court kills the NRA.
June 14—"Cease Firing" order ends Chaco War.
Aug. 9—President Roosevelt signs Social Security bill.
Aug. 15—Will Rogers and Wiley Post killed in airplane crash.
Sept. 8—Huey P. Long shot to death by Dr. Carl A. Weiss.
Sept. 15—Jews in Germany lose citizenship.
Oct. 2—Italian troops enter Ethiopia.
Nov. 18—League of Nations votes sanctions against Italy.
Dec. 26—Col. Charles A. Lindbergh and family flee to England.

1936: ROMANCE OF THE CENTURY, WAR IN SPAIN

Jan. 6—Supreme Court kills Agricultural Adjustment act.
Jan. 20—England's George V dies; Edward succeeds.
Feb. 16—Socialists win election in Spain.
March 7—German troops reoccupy the Rhineland.
April 3—Hauptmann electrocuted for killing Lindbergh baby.
May 2—Emperor Haile Selassie flees Ethiopia.
July 18—Spanish army and landholders stage revolution.
Aug. 5—A. F. of L. suspends 10 unions for setting up C.I.O.
Oct. 18—American Clipper spans Pacific.
Nov. 3—Roosevelt in unprecedented election triumph.
Dec. 11—King Edward VIII abdicates British throne.
Dec. 20—C.I.O. begins to organize automobile workers.

1937: THE SUPREME COURT BATTLE—A ROOSEVELT DEFEAT

Jan. 23—Ohio River floods take heavy toll.

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Jan. 30—Hitler repudiates the Versailles treaty.
 April 12—Supreme Court upholds Wagner Labor act.
 May 6—The dirigible Hindenburg crashes in flames in N. J.
 June 3—Former King Edward VIII marries Wally Simpson.
 July 2—Amelia Earhart Putnam's plane vanishes in Pacific.
 July 8—Clash near Peiping starts Sino-Japanese war.
 July 25—FDR's Supreme Court enlargement plan spurned.
 Aug. 12—Sen. Hugo Black named Supreme Court justice.
 Dec. 11—Italy withdraws from the League of Nations.

1938: HITLER STARTS REMAKING EUROPE'S MAP

Feb. 4—Hitler shakes up German army and diplomatic service.
 Feb. 20—Anthony Eden resigns from British cabinet.
 March 14—Hitler brings Austria into Greater Germany.
 July 14—Howard Hughes circles globe in record time.
 July 17—Corrigan makes wrong way flight to Ireland.
 Sept. 21—New England hurricane causes 700 deaths.
 Sept. 29—Big Four sign the Munich pact.
 Oct. 23—Maximum hour-minimum wage law goes into effect.

1939: MORE MAP REMAKING BY HITLER—AND WAR

Feb. 10—Pius XI, "pope of peace," dies, millions mourn.
 Feb. 27—Supreme Court outlaws sitdown strike.
 March 2—Cardinal Pacelli, elected Pope, becomes Pius XII.
 March 15—Germany grabs Czecho-Slovakia.
 June 8—President Roosevelt welcomes British royalty.
 Aug. 23—Germany signs non-aggression pact with Russia.
 Sept. 1—Germany launches "lightning war" against Poland.
 Sept. 3—Britain and France declare war on Germany.
 Oct. 19—Britain and France sign pact with Turkey.
 Nov. 4—Roosevelt signs bill repealing arms embargo.
 Nov. 8—Hitler escapes Munich beer cellar bomb plot.
 Nov. 10—Dutch and Belgians on guard.
 Nov. 24—Nazis use planes in mine warfare against Britain.
 Nov. 30—Russia invades Finland.
 Dec. 6—British arms firms arrange to aid Finland.

Prominent County Couple Celebrates Golden Wedding

January 9, 1940.



R. B. BLANEY

MRS. BLANEY

One of the events of the holiday season in the Washington district was the celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary by Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Blaney, prominent residents of Chartiers Township, just north of Washington.

December 31 was the anniversary date and Mr. and Mrs. Blaney held open house Monday, January 1, from 2 to 4 in the afternoon and 7 until 10 in the evening. They received numerous beautiful gifts and approximately 150 persons called to extend their congratulations. There was a turkey luncheon at noon for those who came from a distance.

Mr. and Mrs. Blaney resided in Fayette County during their early years, establishing their home at what is now known as Star Junction. They came to Washington County in 1894 and have resided at their present home for the past 46 years.

Mr. Blaney ranks as one of the

progressive farmers of the district. He was one of a group who introduced telephones in the rural districts in 1903. He served as a school director in Chartiers Township for 12 successive years. Since 1900 he has been a member of the board of directors of the Canonsburg Fire Insurance Company. He has long been active as a Granger and member of the Washington County Agricultural Extension Association and the organizations preceding it.

Mrs. Blaney has been active in the Grange and other groups and especially as a church worker until her health became impaired four years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Blaney have three children: Bernice Elizabeth, conducting a convalescent home at Wyncote, Pa.; Robert Earl, an electrical engineer of Westinghouse, and Arthur Craig an advisory engineer of the Radio Corporation of America.

Jan 5-1940
CLARK J. MARSHALL

Clark J. Marshall, 68, died suddenly yesterday at his home, 711 North Main street.

Born at Independence on October 5, 1872, he had been a resident of Washington during the greater part of his life. He was employed by the Hazel-Atlas Glass Company.

He is survived by a son and daughter, Walter Marshall and Mrs. Frieda Eustis, Washington; four brothers and two sisters, W. C. Marshall, Oakdale; F. G. Marshall, Washington; J. Charles Marshall, Galt, Calif.; and James Marshall, Wilmington, Calif.; Mrs. Emma Shearn and Mrs. Mary Davis, Canonsburg. Three grandchildren also survive, John, Noretta and Grace Eustis, of Washington.

Funeral services will be conducted from the home of his son, Walter Marshall, 711 North Main street, on Saturday at 2 p. m., in charge of the Rev. Charles Smith of Avery Methodist Church. Burial will be made in Washington Cemetery.

Annie E. Martin, Mt. Pleasant Township; \$2,129.66 in livestock, farming implements, crops, and household goods.

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Betrothed



Mrs. Anna Chabot of Delafield Ave., Aspinwall, has announced the engagement of her daughter, Miss Helen Chabot, above, to Louis M. Swartz, son of Dr. and Mrs. Edwin Swartz of Hickory.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Pennsylvania College for Women. Her fiancé, a graduate of Washington and Jefferson College, is attending the Presbyterian Theological Seminary in Chicago.

Engagement Announced

Announcement of the engagement of Miss Helen Pearl Chabot, to Louis Swartz, son of Dr. and Mrs. Edwin B. Swartz, Hickory, was made Christmas Day by Miss Chabot's mother, Mrs. Anna Chabot, Aspinwall. No date was set for the wedding.

Later the announcement was made to friends at a dinner party given by Miss Betty Lewis, Sheridan. Among the guests attending was Miss Louise Leslie, Allison avenue.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Pennsylvania College for Women.

Mr. Swartz was graduated from Washington and Jefferson College and is attending the Presbyterian

Theological Seminary, Chicago. He is a member of the Phi Kappa Sigma Fraternity.

Clarence White Dies In Cleveland Hospital

Word has been received of the death of Attorney Clarence White, 43, Portage Lakes, Ohio, who died Saturday, December 30, at Lakeside Hospital, Cleveland, Ohio. Attorney White was the nephew of Mrs. W. A. Hannon, 500 West Chestnut street, and a cousin of Dr. J. W. G. Hannon, Locust avenue.

Funeral services were held January 2 at Akron, Ohio, and burial was in Forest Hill Cemetery, near Canton. *Jan 9 1940*

Raymond Westly Reitter.....
.....Colliers, W. Va., R. D. 1
Helen Margaret Edwards.....
.....Rea, R. D. 1

HENDERSON PRESIDENT OF STATE WOOL GROWERS

HARRISBURG, Jan. 19.—(AP)—The Pennsylvania Sheep and Wool Growers Association elected J. R. Henderson, Hickory, president; Orville Patterson, Kirby, vice president; J. H. Robinson, Mercer, secretary.

Hickory Girls and Trinity Boys Farm Show Winners

Home economics students of Mt. Pleasant Township Vocational High School, at Hickory, won first place at the State Farm Show this week with their demonstration, "Charm in Commonplace." Their demonstration team arrived home yesterday.

Trinity High School vocational agriculture project winners and demonstration team also arrived home early yesterday morning, bringing with them second award for their window exhibit and third award for the vo-ag demonstration.

The Hickory girls' team which won top honors was composed of Dorothy Newman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Newman, of Cross Creek; Mary Mgrdichan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Mgrdichan, of Hickory; Myra Johnston, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Johnston, of Rea, R. D.; Ida Mae Raab, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Raab, of McDonald, R. D., and Dorothy McAllister, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. T. McAllister, of McDonald, R. D. They were accompanied by Mrs.

Edna Pifer, supervisor of home economics at the school.

Their demonstration was a suggestion of table centerpieces which can be made up from the commonplace things found in any home, such as fruits, vegetables, gourds, etc.

The Trinity boys' window exhibit bore the title, "Vocational Agriculture," and consisted of a large map of Pennsylvania, on which four circular photographs depicted various phases of agriculture.

Their demonstration, a home-made electric chick brooder, was given at the show by Clifford Painter, Richard Johnson, John Crosbie, James Phillips and George Osborne.

The Trinity boys were accompanied to Harrisburg by Charles R. Morrison, supervisor of vocational agriculture at Trinity, and his assistant, William Ellwood.

The Trinity home economics department also presented a demonstration, "Fill Your Day with Color," but did not win any of the 10 money prizes.

HENRY NOLTE

Henry Nolte, 80, former resident of Hickory, died in Pittsburgh Thursday, Jan. 18, 1940.

Mr. Nolte was born in Germany. For a period of 15 years he and his wife, who died last September, resided at Hickory, where Mr. Nolte was janitor of the Mt. Prospect Presbyterian Church for a long period. Three years ago they moved to 2806 California avenue, Pittsburgh.

Friends will be received at the Albert A. Novak Funeral Home at 3313 Brighton Road, Pittsburgh. Announcement of funeral services has not been received here.

Salaries as set in other departments yesterday are:

County Treasurer John L. Post: The County Treasurer's salary is fixed at \$5,000; John Bevic, Deputy Treasurer, \$200 a month; Theresa Hank, bookkeeper, \$175 a month; Margaret P. Hagen, clerk, \$140 a month; Jennie Garbinsky, \$140 a month; Alice T. Lecky, \$140 a month. These are the same as last year.

See Page 48 for death of Mrs. White

BULGER MAN IS KILLED IN FALL

John A. Kaezyk, 24, Dies Instantly in 45-Foot Plunge Off Scaffold at Weirton Steel Plant.

OUTSTANDING AS ATHLETE

BUGLER, Jan. 14—John A. Kaezyk, 24, one of Bugler's most popular young men, was instantly killed today at 2:30 p. m. when he fell 45 feet from a scaffold at the Weirton Steel Company plant where he was employed as an electrician.

Kaezyk was repairing a heavy cable when he apparently slipped and fell from the scaffold, according to reports from the plant. He suffered a fracture of the skull.

A son of Mr. and Mrs. John Kaezyk, of Bugler, the young man was well known as a baseball athlete, having played with various teams in the Panhandle district and was a star on the Weirton Steel nine. He was a graduate of Union High of Burgettstown where he starred in athletics and was a member of the St. Anne's Catholic Church.

Surviving besides his parents, are his wife, Helen Clark Kaezyk, their two-months-old daughter, Sally Ann; two sisters, Mrs. Sara Ozimek, of Langeloth, and Miss Helen Kaezyk, at home, and a brother, Charles Kaezyk, at home. Funeral arrangements have not been completed.

WILLIAM VANCE CAMPBELL

Word has been received by friends in this district that William Vance Campbell, of Sheridan, a native of Washington County, died in Allegheny General Hospital Pittsburgh, Jan. 6, 1940.

Mr. Campbell was born in the Langeloth district in 1874, a son of Robert and Caroline Vance Campbell. He had engaged in the laundry business many years, and was a member of Guyasuta Lodge No. 513, F. and A. M. and of West End Presbyterian Church.

Surviving are his wife, Josephine Dahner Campbell; one daughter, Mrs. Ira C. Hoover; three brothers Robert, Frank and Charles, all of the Pittsburgh area; and two sisters, Mrs. G. R. Brown, of Mt. Washington and Mrs. H. A. Negus of San Bernardino, Calif. Mrs. L. E. Foster, of Burgettstown is an aunt.

D. S. MORGAN

WOOD MORGAN

Wood Morgan, 77, who became ill last Tuesday, Jan. 9, died Sunday at 1 p. m. at his home in McConnell's Mills. A heart ailment was the cause of death, his condition not becoming serious until Saturday.

Mr. Morgan was a bricklayer early in life but in 1887 became a fur dealer and had been engaged in that business since, being widely known throughout the district.

Mr. Morgan was a son of the late Benjamin J. and Sarah Lennon Morgan and was born in Chartiers Township, where he had spent his entire life. His wife, Margaret McCartney Morgan, died in 1923. Their marriage was solemnized Dec. 15, 1887.

Mr. Morgan attended the Green-side Avenue U. P. Church, Canonsburg.

Five children are all deceased. He leaves one sister, Mrs. Mary Crumm, Pike street, Houston, and several nieces and nephews in the vicinity.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, Jan. 18, from late home, conducted by the Rev. Dr. Ross Hume. Burial will be in Oak Spring Cemetery.

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JOHN S. HUTCHINSON

One of the more prominent farmers in Mt. Pleasant Township and a former Houston carpenter, John S. Hutchinson died in the Washington hospital at 1:20 a. m. yesterday after an illness of about two weeks. He was 78 years old.

Born in Harrison county, Ohio, the son of Joseph Craig and Lucinda Cummins Hutchinson, he located in the Houston district about 1890 and worked on the Samuel Willison farm. In 1900 he moved to Houston and for six years worked there as a carpenter, building several houses.

In 1906 he moved to the John Cowden farm where he had since resided.

On December 10, 1885, he married Esther A. Cowden, the couple celebrating their golden anniversary four years ago. She survives along with one son, John, at home. Two other children, Joseph and Jennie are deceased. A grandchild survives.

The Rev. E. L. Haney, pastor of the Houston U. P. Church of which Mr. Hutchinson was a member will conduct funeral services from the late home Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Burial will be in the Oak Springs cemetery. The body will be taken home this morning.

John S. Hutchison, Mt. Pleasant Township; \$1,000 personalty, left to his wife and son; letters to his son, John C. Hutchison, of McDonald R. D. 4.

John S. Hutchison, late of Mt. Pleasant Township; \$9,613.69 in cash in bank, live stock, farming machinery.

CONTRACTOR DIES AT INDEPENDENCE

William F. Kline, One of Oldest Residents of District, Dies at Age of 88—Prominent Bridge Contractor.

ACTIVE AS CHURCH LEADER

INDEPENDENCE, Jan. 24—William F. Kline, well known Independence citizen and contractor, died at 1:45 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, January 23, in his home. He was one of the oldest residents of Independence Township.

Mr. Kline had been bedfast since October 13, due to results of a fall, which was due to a head injury received 10 years ago while working as a stone contractor.

He was born May 11, 1851, in Eldersville, and was a son of John Rinehart Kline and Nancy Richardson Kline. He received his education in the public schools of the county, and at 18 years of age took up contracting. He was well known as a bridge contractor.

October 14, 1879, he married Miss Louisa C. McCoy, of Steubenville, who died four years ago.

More than half a century Mr. Kline was a member of the Methodist Church, at Independence, and held various church offices. Within the last year he built a set of stone steps for the Independence Methodist Church. In this beautiful piece of work thousands of separate stones were set. Mr. Jacobs completed the mascot in his shop and had it hauled to the church and erected last summer. The steps contain a marble slab engraved "To the lady workers of the M. E. Church."

He was one of the old time Republicans of the district and took an active interest in politics. He was a member of Independence Grange.

Surviving are three sons, William F. Kline, Jr., of Houston, Tex., Paul E. Kline, of Bridgeville; James C. Kline, of Independence; six grandchildren; two great-grandchildren, and two sisters, Mrs. Ella Jarvis, of Battle Creek, Mich., and Mrs. Della Jarvis, of Steubenville, O.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete, but services will be in the Methodist Church, at a time to be announced. Burial will be in the Independence Cemetery.

D. S. Morgan also known as Wood Morgan, Chartiers Township; \$573 in cash in bank and

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AVELLA DISTRICT MAN ENDS LIFE

AVELLA, Jan. 22.—The body of John Guzell, 59, well known farmer, was found early this afternoon hanging from a hay rope tied about his neck in the barn at his farm, one mile west of Avella. Deputy Coroner W. H. Thompson said Guzell had died of strangulation, and that he had taken his own life by hanging. The man had apparently been in good health, the Deputy Coroner reported, and no reason for his action was known.

The body was found by a member of the family at 1 p. m. today, about 15 minutes after Guzell had left his home to go to the barn.

Born in Austria, Guzell had come to the United States 41 years ago and for the last 27 years had owned and operated the farm on which he died. He had won citizenship, and was a member of Granish S. N. P. J. Lodge of Avella.

Surviving are his wife, Frances Deblak Guzell; and eight sons and daughters: John Guzell, Mrs. Anna Resnik and Mrs. Stephen Skully, all of Cleveland, O.; Alex, of Canonsburg; Mrs. Andrew Madera, of Cokeburg, and Margaret, Harry and Wilma, all at home. Also surviving are one brother, Anthony, of Pittsburgh; a sister, Mary Ann Bazjak, of La Salle, Ill., and a sister in Europe.

School Department Gives Jobs to Seven

By The United Press

HARRISBURG, Jan. 23—Dr. Francis B. Haas, Public Instruction Secretary, has made seven appointments and one dismissal, including: Appointments—Clyde A. Woods, Hickory, senior professional license investigator, \$1860; Doris R. Eckman, Bellefonte R. D., assistant computing clerk, \$1020; Rose P. Kozak, Ford City, typist-stenographer, \$1020; Louise A. Michalowski, Johnstown, junior computing clerk, \$1020; Ada E. Berkey, Somerset, reference assistant, \$1140.

Dismissals—Maye Irwin, Somerset, reference assistant, \$1140.

MAN DROPS DEAD AS HOUSE BURNS

Seventy-Four-Year-Old Miner
Collapses as Flames Destroy House at Cedar Grove, Routing Eight.

BLAME OVERHEATED STOVE

STUDA, Jan. 25.—A 74-year-old Polish miner, Mike Obcoski, died of a heart attack, attributed to shock, early today as fire broke out in an adjoining house in the Cedar Grove mine patch, routing eight persons into near-zero weather.

Deputy Coroner W. Howard Thompson, of Avella, said Obcoski rushed out of the house he shared with others to watch the blaze and collapsed. He was born in 1866 and had lived in this country for 27 years, 11 years at Cedar Grove. He has no relatives in the U. S.

Funeral services will be held in the Thompson Funeral Home Saturday at 2 p. m. Burial will be in West Point Cemetery, Avella.

The two-story frame house in which the eight persons lived burned to the ground. All contents, furniture and clothes, were destroyed, it was reported.

Living in the house were the families of Emil Teichman, Vincent Bania and Rafael Ercolina and Nick Florio, a bachelor. Firemen of the Avella Department said the blaze apparently started in an overheated stove in Ercolina's room.

The fire threatened for a time to spread to buildings on either side, but prompt arrival of the Avella fire-fighters prevented this. Neighbors cared for those forced to flee from the fire in night attire.

MRS. SAMUEL MCFARLAND

Mrs. Dora Cochran McFarland, 91, widow of Samuel McFarland and a native of Washington County, died Monday morning at 6:30 o'clock, Jan. 22 1940, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Mary Smith, at Hinsdale, Ill., after a two-week illness of influenza.

Mrs. McFarland was a native of the Canonsburg district and resided there until her marriage with the late Samuel McFarland. For many years Mr. and Mrs. McFarland resided at Cross Creek. For the last 20 years, Mrs. McFarland had resided with her daughter, Mrs. Smith, in Illinois.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Smith; one son, Drew McFarland, of near Chicago; and a sister-in-law, Mrs. C. W. Fulton, of Ft. Wayne, Ind., formerly of Burgettstown. Dr. J. F. Donehoo of Washington is a nephew.

Funeral services were held and burial made yesterday at Hinsdale, Ill.

DRIFTING SNOW BLOCKS TRAFFIC

All But Few Ridge Roads in Rural Sections Are Open by Scores of Workmen Using Fourteen Plows.

1-24-40

MERCURY IS NEAR ZERO

While temperatures fell steadily, several scores of road workers toiled all day yesterday to clear away newly formed snow drifts that blocked traffic on many highways in Washington County.

Despite intensive work by State and County workmen who used 14 snow plows, rural roads in several sections were reported still blocked last night.

A school bus and a snow plow were stuck in drifts at the same time yesterday on the Dry Ridge road near West Alexander, and the pupils on the bus were late for school before the big machine was freed.

The old Route 40 leading into West Alexander was reported to be virtually impassable last night, as was a five-mile section of the Burnsville Ridge road from the Tom Stout residence to Burnsville. Several other rural routes were reported to be still closed as a result of drifting caused by a stiff wind which whipped snow about Wednesday night and most of Thursday.

Yesterday's low temperature was a six-above reading at 8 a. m., and after climbing to 11 above at noon, the mercury sank again to eight above by last midnight. The day's high mark was 14 above registered at 12:01 a. m.

BROWER FUNERAL

Funeral services for Philip Brower, 60, who died Monday morning after a six weeks' illness, were held yesterday afternoon at the late home in Atlasburg. The Rev. C. S. Thomas, of Hickory, was in charge. Burial was in the Mt. Prospect Cemetery.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Theresia Brower; two sons, at home, Philip and Edmond, and a son, Joseph Brower, at McDonald; five daughters, Mrs. Lena Havelka, Atlasburg; Mrs. Agnes Cimarolli, of McDonald; Mrs. Eva Sullivan, of Power, W. Va.; Mrs. Kathryn Goleski, of Burgettstown, and Mrs. Eleanor Paris, at Buckbottom, W. Va.; and four sisters, Mrs. Theresia Grohs, Bridgeville; Mrs. Kathryn Dolancy McMurray, Mrs. Lena Stumborsky, Washington, and Mrs. William Doram, E. Palestine, O.

Former Eldersville Couple Married 70 Years Ago Today

Mr. and Mrs. John D. Walker, both natives of Washington County and until three years ago residents of the Eldersville district, will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary today, at the home of their only living descendant, Judson Garner, a great-grandson, of 1245 Main street, Follansbee, W. Va.

Mr. Walker, who is 91 years of age, was born July 1, 1848, at Paris, and his wife, Mrs. Sara Millie Walker, was born October 12, 1850, in Eldersville. She is a daughter of George and Eliza Criss.

For the last three years they have resided with their great-grandson, who is a prominent un-

dertaker of Follansbee.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker are believed to have been married longer than any other couple living in West Virginia. They are among the oldest residents of Brooke County, but both remain active. Mrs. Walker is perfectly able to care for her own room.

They were married January 27, 1870, in the Fifth Avenue Hotel, Pittsburgh, by the Rev. William H. Locke, pastor of the Liberty Street Methodist Episcopal Church. The only attendants were Israel Wright and Edmund Wright, both

now deceased.

All their married life was spent in the Eldersville district, except for 20 years at Parkersburg after their marriage. Three years ago they went to Follansbee.

Mr. Walker was a stone mason the early part of his life, and spent the rest as a farmer. In his childhood days the family moved to Parkersburg, W. Va. He cast his first vote for Ulysses S. Grant for President.

They were parents of one daughter, Nettie, who married William Harris. She became the mother of a daughter, Blanche Harris, who married W. E. Gardner, of Eldersville. Mr. and Mrs. Gardner were the parents of Judson Gardner, with whom Mr. and Mrs. Walker now make their home.

Blanket of Snow Covers Much of Land of Cotton; Much Damage Is Reported

ATLANTA, Jan. 23.—(AP)—The land of cotton shouldered an unaccustomed blanket of snow tonight and found it a wearying load.

In many areas it was the worst snowstorm of a generation. Atlanta's 9½ inch fall set a new record for the city and 10 inches was an all-time mark for Jackson, Miss.

Shivering southerners dug in for several days' siege as meteorologists forecast temperatures considerably lower than the 25-30 degrees that accompanied the snow.

From southern Georgia west through mid-Alabama, Mississippi, Arkansas and Louisiana to Texas snow piled up. In some places it measured a foot.

Air, motor car and bus, train and water transportation was hampered.

The Dixie snow belt extended

into the Carolinas and Virginia, spread over hilly Tennessee. Sub-freezing cold reached far south into the citrus belts of the Florida Peninsula and Texas, Rio Grande Valley, endangering several millions of dollars worth of fruit. Earlier, it had dealt a heavy blow to tender truck crops in south Florida mucklands. A federal-state frost warning service said truck losses might reach several hundred thousand dollars.

In the gulf border regions there was no snow, but cold rain and wind conspired to discomfort warmth-acclimated residents.

Unfamiliar with icy-road driving, Dixie motorists had tough going. They skidded into drifts and stuck. Most had no tire chains. City streets and country highways were dotted with marooned cars.

Temperature Below Zero Here Nine Days This Month

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King Winter granted some relief from arctic temperatures in Washington County yesterday but reasserted his authority by laying down a new blanket of snow almost two inches deep.

The "official" temperature here rose to a high point of 28 above zero yesterday, but it was not high enough to bring a thaw that would mean relief from a serious water shortage that for weeks has harassed rural residents dependent upon springs, wells or cisterns.

Yesterday, with a low temperature of three below zero recorded at 1 a. m., was the ninth day this month to send the mercury to sub-zero levels. The severe cold spell is one of the most protracted in recent years in this district. The below zero recordings in January ranged from minus two to minus 11 on January 4. Every day of the

month has produced freezing temperatures.

A survey of records maintained at the water pump station here showed that the water shortage dates back to last summer. In the final six months of 1938, precipitation was 6.17 inches, or about one third, below normal, and to date this month precipitation has been about half of the normal. Meanwhile, frigid temperatures have prevented thawing and locked streams in ice.

As a result, rural residents in many districts are forced to haul water, for livestock and in some cases for home use.

No immediate relief was in sight, the Weather Bureau forecast for the district calling for snow today; snow and colder tonight and Thursday, and continued cold Friday and Saturday.

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MRS. WILLIAM E. BEADLING

Mrs. Edna Erle Beadling, 58, wife of William E. Beadling, died in Washington Hospital Thursday, January 25, at 12:08 a. m. after a short illness. Mrs. Beadling had been bedfast for the past two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Beadling were well known residents of the Burgettstown and Cedar Grove communities for over 20 years, but since last June had resided at Hopedale, O.

A daughter of James P. and Sarah Couch McMillen, Mrs. Beadling was born May 24, 1882, in Upper St. Clair Township, Allegheny County. She was a member of the Cross Creek Presbyterian Church, the Eastern Star of Burgettstown, and Rebekah Lodge of Burgettstown.

Surviving are her husband; four sons, Couch, of Cedar Grove; James, of Belle Vernon; William and Chester, of Hopedale, O.; and a brother, B. F. McMillen, of Jewett, O.

Friends will be received at the home of her son, Couch Beadling, until time of services Sunday at 1:30 p. m. in the Cross Creek Presbyterian Church. Services will be in charge of the Rev. Ralph E. Kaufmann, a former pastor of the church. Burial will be in Bethel Cemetery, Allegheny County.

Man Called 'Lazy' Resents It, Suicides

Because he didn't get a fair trial down here" and was criticized as "too lazy to work," David Gault, 45, of Butler St., Etna, shot and killed himself yesterday. His body was found in his room in a hotel at 3718 Butler St.

"I am going up to see the highest judge; up there I'll get a fair trial," he wrote his wife, terming her "the sweetest wife any man could ever have."

"I worked with a knife if my heart when I did work. I prayed it would stop. Now I am going to stop it."

The Coroner's office also reported the death of Miss Edith Bower, 54, of Chesterfield Rd., as a suicide. Miss Bower, who retired in December as a divisional sales manager for a downtown company, shot herself in the head, deputy coroners stated. She had been ill. **1-27-1940**

JOSEPH KABO

Funeral services were held Monday for Joseph Kabo, 9½ months son of Joseph and Margaret Hume-nick Kabo, of Racoon, who died after an illness of a few days.

Burial was in Fairview Cemetery, Burgettstown.

MRS. ANNA M'PHERSON

In poor health for several years but only seriously ill since Saturday evening, Mrs. Anna A. McPherson, 81, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. L. Simpson, 308 Hawthorne street, Canonsburg, just before midnight Monday.

Born near Waynesburg on March 16, 1858, she was a daughter of the late Isaac and Elizabeth McClelland Sturgis. Her husband, the late Samuel H. McPherson, died in 1916 and she had made her home in Canonsburg since 1922. She was a member of the Canonsburg U. P. Church for 62 years and active in church work so long as her health permitted.

In addition to Mrs. Simpson, she is survived by two sons, Glenn S. of Wheeling and Winnett of Cuddy, a grandchild, James Lloyd Simpson, and a great-grandchild, Joanna Lee Simpson, both of Canonsburg. Another daughter, Ora H., died in March, 1939.

Funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home in charge of the Rev. H. Ross Hume. Burial will be in the Speer Spring Cemetery. **1-31-40**

January 30, 1940 ROBERT A. BALMER

Robert A. Balmer, 67, of Sturgeon, died Monday morning at 11:30 o'clock in Mercy Hospital, Pittsburgh, after a short illness.

Born in Sinco, Ontario, Canada, Aug. 15, 1872, he had moved to Sturgeon 43 years ago to work in the oil fields, and had resided there since that time. For 35 years he served as constable in South Fayette Township, and in recent years had engaged in the gasoline service station business. He was active in affairs of the community, and was a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles Lodge No. 1538 of Sturgeon.

Surviving are his wife, Nora Alison Balmer, whom he married June 15, 1898; four children, Mrs. Ray Johnston, Jessie, Charles and Roy Balmer, and six grandchildren, all of Sturgeon; two sisters, Mrs. John Cruickshank and Mrs. Charles Jamison, both of Ontario, Canada; and two brothers, Mark Balmer, of Cross Creek, and John Balmer, of Siloan Springs, Ark.

Funeral services will be held at the Balmer home Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, with the Rev. S. A. McCollam, pastor of First United Presbyterian Church of McDonald, in charge. Burial will be in Robinson Run Cemetery.

January 22, 1940—Walter S. Dixon, et ux., New Concord, Ohio, to Howard J. Oviatt, et ux., Canonsburg, a lot, 44 by 142.8 feet, Jefferson avenue, Canonsburg; \$1.

January 19, 1940—Federal Land Bank, Baltimore, to Margaret Liggett, Rea, 194 acres in Cross Creek Township; \$2,265.29.

MEMBERS OF HICKORY FAMILY IN AUTO CRASH

on Feb 2, 1940

Mr. and Mrs. Gailey B. Wilson and children, Robert and Suzanne, were in an auto accident which occurred on the Bentleyville-Belle Vernon road recently.

A car owned and operated by A. T. Haddad of Donora, while attempting to make a left turn off the above mentioned road, is reported to have crossed directly in the path of the Wilson car. Both cars collided with considerable impact.

Mrs. Wilson was thrown against the windshield and received severe head injuries. Other members of the Wilson family escaped with minor cuts and bruises. Mr. Haddad received a minor cut on the chin. Both cars were badly wrecked.

GRANDDAUGHTER OF PIONEER DIES

Miss Francena Manchester, 94, Prominent Independence Township Citizen, Dies in Home of Her Birth.

BLIND FOR SEVERAL YEARS

1940
INDEPENDENCE, Feb. 2.—Miss Francena Manchester, 94, one of the oldest citizens of Independence Township and among the oldest persons of the County, died in the old Manchester homestead, three miles east of Independence, at 7:30 o'clock tonight. She had been ill for several weeks, due to her advanced age.

Miss Manchester was one of the eight children of Asa and Martha McClane Manchester and was born January 12, 1846, in the same house where she died. This old homestead, now well over 100 years old, is unusually well preserved and is considered as in as good condition as when it was built. It is one of the landmarks

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MISS ELIZABETH McCARTY

Elizabeth McCarty, an aged resident of Independence, and living alone, was found dead in bed Saturday at 5:30 a. m. by neighbors who had gone in to start her fire. Miss McCarty some years ago fell and fractured a hip, and since then had used crutches. She had not been well for the past few days and her physician visited her Friday. As was the custom, a neighbor, Elizabeth Robinson, had banked the fire for Miss McCarty Friday night, and Saturday at 5:30 George Buxton went in to rebuild the fire, and found that she had died during the night.

Miss McCarty, a daughter of William and Nancy Donaldson McCarty, one of a family of nine children, was born Oct. 14, 1860, in Independence Township, where she had spent most of her life. She was a member of the Independence M. E. Church.

Three brothers survive: Melvin McCarty, Berea, Ohio; Lewis McCarty, Youngstown, Ohio, and Everett McCarty of Westernport, Md. Funeral services will be held in the Independence Methodist church this afternoon at 2 o'clock, conducted by her pastor, the Rev. J. W. Schrader. Burial will be in the Cross Creek cemetery.

JOHN HUNTER McMILLEN

John Hunter McMillen, 80, died at 1:30 a. m. Sunday, January 28, in his home on the Hickory-Westland road. Mr. McMillen spent the last 40 years or more of his life in the Hickory community.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Louetta Ayres McMillen; 11 children, Harry and Alvin, of McDonald; Mrs. R. E. Sanders and Mrs. W. F. Seaman, of Wolfdale; Orville, of Hanlin Station; Wilford and William, of Detroit; Mrs. Ralph Mull, of Avella; Joseph, of Montour No. 2; Mrs. David Mather, of Glenwillard, and Charles and Samuel, at home; 32 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, January 31, at 2 o'clock, in the McMillen home, in charge of the Rev. R. L. Stevenson. Burial will be in the Hickory Cemetery.

Jan 29, 1940

MRS. EMMA WHITE

Mrs. Emma White, 76, former Hickory resident and widow of William H. White, died at 4 a. m. Saturday at her home in Woodville, Allegheny County. She had been ill for several months.

She leaves three daughters and one son: Mrs. W. E. Carter, Cross Creek; Mrs. Samuel Kraerr and Mrs. Joseph Taylor, Canonsburg and Melvin White Woodville.

Friends will be received at the Fulton and Bradwell Funeral Home, 415 Chartiers street Carnegie. Funeral services will be held today at 2 p. m., in the Woodville U. P. Church. Burial will be in Mt. Prospect Cemetery.

DR. OLIVER McNARY

R. L. Munce, of North Strabane Township, has received word of the death of his brother-in-law, Dr. Oliver Clarkson McNary at Santa Monica, Cal., on January 24 at the age of 91. He was the son of Oliver and Eleanor Grove McNary and was born on the Old McNary farm near Clokeyville.

Dr. McNary, whose father was a Civil War veteran, served as a surgeon with the U. S. troops during the Indian wars in the West. Later he was physician at soldiers' home in Kansas and Los Angeles. Upon his retirement from the latter post, he moved to Santa Monica. His wife was killed several years ago in an auto accident.

His son Capt. C. D. McNary, is serving with the 21st Infantry at the Schofield Barracks in Honolulu.

The family to which he belonged is one of the pioneer clans of this district. Alexander McNary, his uncle, built the first house in Houston and the latter's sister married Samuel Pollock who owned and operated large fruit farms in North Strabane. Others in the family have been closely identified with the history of the community.

HICKORY WOMAN SUFFERS ARM FRACTURE IN FALL

HICKORY, Feb. 5.—Mrs. D. L. McCarrell suffered a fracture of the left arm when she slipped on the ice and fell near her home here. The fracture was reduced by her husband, Dr. D. L. McCarrell.

Annie E. Martin, Mt. Pleasant Township; \$1,500 personalty; left to George Frank Morrison, Mt. Pleasant Township, to whom letters were issued.

MRS. SCOTT NOAH

Mrs. Emma Jane Noah, 83, wife of Scott Noah, died at 10:30 o'clock Sunday night, February 4, 1940, in her home between Hickory and Woodrow.

Mrs. Noah, a daughter of Robert and Esther Buchanan Flanegin, was born September 21, 1856, in Hickory. She was married September 16, 1882, to Scott Noah. She lived all her life in Mt. Pleasant and Cross Creek Townships, where she was widely known.

Surviving are her husband, Scott Noah; a brother, Robert Flanegin, of Imperial, and several nieces and nephews.

She was a member of the Mt. Prospect Presbyterian Church, at Hickory.

The body is at the James Funeral Home, Follansbee, W. Va., and will be taken to the Noah home this afternoon. Services will be held in the home Wednesday at 8:30 o'clock, in charge of her pastor, the Rev. C. S. Thomas. Burial will be in the Hickory Cemetery.

See Scrapbook 32 P. 34 for account of Mrs. Noah's death

MRS. HENRY J. MARTIN

Mrs. Annie E. Campbell Martin, 78, widow of Henry J. Martin, died at her home on the Burgettstown-Hickory road Saturday morning at 10:15 o'clock, Feb. 3, 1940, following a stroke.

Mrs. Martin was born in Mt. Pleasant Township Dec. 7, 1861, and had spent all her life there. She was a member of Cross Creek Presbyterian Church and its Ladies' Aid Society; a member of the Good Cheer Club of Cross Creek and of the Mt. Pleasant Township Farm Women's Club, and for the last 35 years has been secretary of Jefferson Grange No. 314.

Surviving are one son by a former marriage, Charles Hitchens, of Washington; three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at the home Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock with the Rev. Charles H. Beck in charge. Burial will be in Cross Creek Cemetery.

MRS. SCOTT NOAH FUNERAL

Funeral services for Mrs. Scott Noah, 83, wife of Scott Noah, who died late Sunday evening, Feb. 4, at her home between Hickory and Woodrow, will be held Wednesday, Feb. 7, at 2:30 p. m., at the home. The Rev. C. F. Thomas will be in charge. Burial will be in the Hickory Cemetery.

Dr. J. Clyde McGregor, W. & J., Dies Suddenly

Struggle Through Storm From
Charleroi Tuesday Night
May Have Hastened Death
of Prominent Educator.

FUNERAL HERE SATURDAY

July 16, 1940

Dr. James Clyde McGregor, 56, author, nationally known educator, and Linn Professor of Political Science at Washington and Jefferson College for the past 27 years, died suddenly about 7 a. m. yesterday morning at his home, 148 LeMoyné avenue, of heart trouble. His death comes as a great shock to his family and many friends, as he had not been previously ill until Wednesday night, when a physician was called.

Dr. McGregor complained of feeling the effects of a strenuous trip to Charleroi Tuesday night. He was forced to fight his way over snow-clogged highways on the return trip and did not reach Washington until early Wednesday morning.

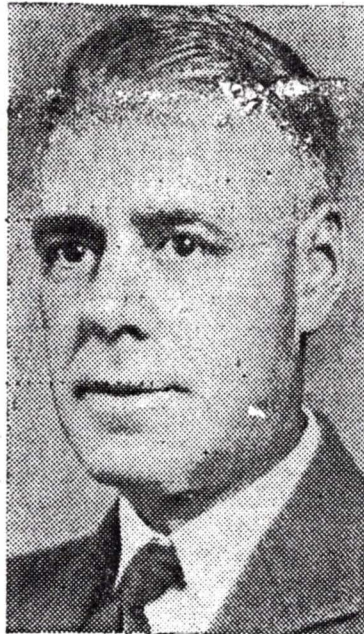
Dr. McGregor was one of Washington's best known citizens and as an educator his reputation was Nation-wide. He had been connected with Washington and Jefferson College since 1913.

The deceased was a native of Wheeling, W. Va., where he was born July 10, 1883, a son of the late Harlan Page and Lucy Baggs McGregor. His early life was spent in Wheeling and in 1901 he entered the University of Virginia, but later transferred to Washington and Jefferson College, from which he was graduated in the class of 1905 with the degree of Bachelor of Science. In 1908 the degree of Master of Arts was conferred upon him by Washington and Jefferson. In 1913 he received the degree of Doctor of Philosophy from the University of Pennsylvania, and that same year was elected as Linn Professor of Political Science at his Alma Mater, to which the rest of his active life as an educator was devoted. During 1916 he studied constitutional law at Columbia University.

He was the author of "The Disruption of Virginia," published in

1922, which has become an authoritative work on the secession and formation of West Virginia. He had been editor and author of articles on history and government in the "New Century Book of Facts," in addition to which he was the author of many magazine articles.

DEATH SUDDEN



Dr. J. Clyde McGregor, above, a member of the W. & J. College faculty since 1913, and widely known as an educator, died suddenly of a heart ailment yesterday at his home on LeMoyné avenue. His chair at the College was that of Political Science. Few instructors have been more popular with their classes than he.

During many years of his work at Washington and Jefferson he had been advisor to the pre-legal students, and many of his former students have been graduated from the leading law schools of the Country. He has a host of friends among the alumni of Washington and Jefferson, and was frequently called on to speak at alumni meetings throughout the Country. Two of his classmates living in Washington are Lee K. Ward and W. B. Anderson.

On July 10, 1917, he was united in marriage with Miss Grace Gilleland, of Wheeling, W. Va., who survives with three children: Robert Harlan, a Junior at Washington and Jefferson; Eleanor Lucy and Margaret Nancy, all at home.

He was a member of the American Historical Association, the American Political Science Association, and Kappa Sigma fraternity. He was also a member of the Nemacolin Country Club, the Bassett Club, of Washington, the Twilight Club, of Wheeling, and Pi Sigma Alpha, national honorary political science fraternity. He was also faculty advisor of the W. & J. Chapter of Pi Sigma Alpha.

Dr. McGregor was a member of the Rotary Club for a number of years and had served as its president.

Three brothers and one sister also survive him: Edgar Russell McGregor, Homer McGregor, Wilbur McGregor, and Mrs. Paul Smith, all of Wheeling.

Remains will be taken to the McGregor home, LeMoyné avenue, this morning at 10 o'clock, where they will remain until Saturday morning, when they are to be removed to the chapel of Washington and Jefferson College. From 11 to 2 o'clock they will lie in state there.

Services at 2 o'clock will be in charge of Dr. Ralph Cooper Hutchison, college president, assisted by the Rev. A. W. Wishart, college pastor, and the Rev. Dr. James M. Potter, of Wheeling.

Members of the faculty will serve as honorary pallbearers. A guard of honor will be formed by students, members of the Political Science Club of the school, sponsored by Dr. McGregor. Members of the Student Council will act as ushers at the funeral and a "lane of honor," double line of students, will be formed from the chapel to Wheeling street for the procession following the rites.

Burial will be at Wheeling.

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR DR. M'GREGOR TODAY

Funeral services for Dr. J. Clyde McGregor, prominent member of the Washington and Jefferson College faculty who died suddenly at his home in LeMoyné avenue Thursday morning, will be held this afternoon at 2 o'clock in the chapel of the college.

The body will lie in state from 11 a. m. to 2 o'clock today with members of the Student Council and Pi Sigma Alpha, honorary political science fraternity, serving as guard of honor.

Members of the faculty will be honorary pallbearers. The active pallbearers will be R. A. McCluskey, F. H. Zollinger, C. R. Wilson, W. H. Swartz, S. F. Robinson, D. H. Core, H. F. Tomlin and W. S. Jacobs, Jr., W. & J. students.

The services will be conducted by Dr. Ralph Cooper Hutchison, president of the college with the Rev. A. W. Wishart and Dr. James M. Potter assisting.

No higher testimony can be offered than the profound respect of his colleagues, the affection of his students and the high perma-

ALL SNOW PLOWS OF STATE, COUNTY BRANCHES OUT

Highway Crews Engaged in
All-Night Fight to Keep
Routes Open as Wind Whips
Up Drifts.

MANY RURAL ROADS MAY
BE CLOSED BY DRIFTS

Sudden Snowfall, One of
Heaviest in Recent Years,
Catches Pedestrians and
Motorists Unprepared.

Feb 14 1940
EQUAL TO INCH OF RAIN

One of the heaviest snowfalls in recent years which struck unexpectedly during a spring-like afternoon and piled up with amazing rapidity, hit traffic hard in the Washington and Greene Counties district late yesterday and early today.

Highway and street workmen were hurriedly called out in the afternoon to cope with the situation. Then a sharp wind sprang up and heavy drifting began, with a result that by midnight every available snow plow of the County Road Department and the County unit of the State Highway Department was engaged in an all-night fight to keep main highways open.

Forced to confine its efforts to principal routes, the State Department said it feared numerous rural roads would be drifted closed by morning.

At midnight the snow here measured 10½ inches deep in protected places, and about two inches more had fallen by 2 a. m.

Hundreds of motorists and pedestrians were caught unprepared when the storm broke suddenly in the early afternoon. With sidewalks and streets clear of snow and the temperature standing at just the freezing point, many persons here who walked up street in the early afternoon without wearing overshoes or galoshes were forced to wade home through about five inches of snow that had fallen by 4 p. m.

Virtually all motor vehicles were without chains when the snow first started, and within half an hour those that had not stopped to put on chains were stalled by the scores on highways and streets.

With no wind blowing, the first fall of snow stopped in the early evening at a depth of about seven inches, and while about 20 State snow plows and 45 men worked at scraping highways, 95 men using 19 trucks busily spread cinders.

Early last night, however, the downpour of snow resumed and a gusty wind sprang up, whipping up drifts rapidly. State crews were forced to confine their work to the main highways in a nip-and-tuck fight to keep them clear. Despite the work of plows, such major highways as Route 40 were difficult to negotiate late last night because of drifts.

The wet snow plastered windshields of vehicles and promptly froze, making it extremely difficult to see. Some auto drivers were forced to lean out doors or windows in order to see where they were going.

The heavy snow packed down rapidly under traffic and quickly became virtually glare ice at many places, making travel extremely hazardous.

No serious accidents were reported in the district.

Light snow and lower temperatures were predicted for today, and fair and colder for Thursday.

The State Department of Highways warned last night: "Don't travel unless you have to. Many roads are so slippery they are virtually impassible."

The Citizens Water Company reported that the 10½ inches of snow which had fallen by midnight was equal to 84 one-hundredths of an inch of rain, making total precipitation 2.15 inches for the month to date as compared with a normal of 2.42 for the entire month.

Creeks in the district rose but little yesterday.

Huge Drifts In Western Part of County

CLAYSVILLE. Feb. 14.—Road crews worked frantically today to open roads in this district for traffic, but heavy drifts and a high wind hampered them. Three miles south of Claysville drifts as deep as eight feet were reported covering roads.

Burnsville ridge was drifted so deep the whole section was snowbound.

Though no school buses reached Claysville today, school officials announced that Claysville schools would be open for regular classes Thursday.

Late this evening Route 40 was reported clear between Claysville and the West Virginia state line, and passable but dangerous east of the community.

The countryside about Claysville, was completely snowbound.

Drifts of 20 Feet Reported

HICKORY. Feb. 14.—With rural roads drifted to 20 feet deep in places and covered with from 18 to 20 inches of snow on the level, all business and school activities of this community were paralyzed today with little sign of immediate relief.

Schools closed today and will remain closed until Monday.

The only mail delivered in Hickory today was the Wednesday morning edition of the Washington Observer. There was no mail from Pittsburgh and no evening newspapers.

Though two snow plows were thrown into the fight to keep the roads open, one broke down and the other became lodged in a heavy drift near the Mt. Prospect Church.

Route 18, between Washington and the Mt. Prospect Church has been kept free of snow all day but driving was dangerous. Route 28, between Venice and Avella, is blocked. On Russell Hill, near Hickory, between 20 and 30 automobiles and trucks were reported to be marooned.

Road Supervisor Samuel Wilson, of Mt. Pleasant Township, reported all ridge roads of the township hopelessly drifted. He stated that he hoped roads would be passable for school, milk and mail service by Saturday, but snow plows are useless against the heavy drifts and roads will have to be shoveled out.

D. F. Miller, rural mail carrier, has announced he will make no attempt to deliver mails for the rest of the week.

It was reported at the Claysville

school that 165 boys and girls had not reported for classes.

Rural carriers from the local postoffice did not attempt to cover their routes.

Late this evening a physician attending Mr. and Mrs. Scott Johnson had been unable to reach them because of drifted roads.

Approximately 25 persons in this district had purchased tickets for "Gone with the Wind," now showing at Wheeling, but were unable to attend the performance.

More than 18 inches of snow fell in the district.

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16 Union High School Boys And Girls Marooned in Home

BURGETTSTOWN, Feb. 14.—Sixteen boys and girls of Jefferson Township, students at Union High School here, were marooned tonight at the service station of Leo Greco, about three miles west of here.

"Parents of some of the children made their way to the Greco station and there is every assurance the boys and girls will be comfortable for the night," said Supervising Principal Harry L. Tennyson, of the Smith Township schools.

The bus bringing the children from the Eldersville district into Burgettstown arrived this morning but it was decided about 10 o'clock the students from that section should return home. Accordingly, the bus left about 10:15 a. m.

Late in the afternoon word was received that efforts to fight through drifts in the vicinity of the Greco station had proven fruitless and arrangements were being

made to house the children for the night at the Greco place.

Plenty of food was reported to be available as well as other accommodations for the emergency.

The condition of the highways in the district was so bad that school buses from the Midway-Bulger, Bavington and Hanover districts did not attempt to make their regular trips.

Principal Tennyson announced no attempt would be made to hold school Thursday but that classes would be resumed Friday if the condition of the highways permitted.

Extremely heavy drifts were reported in the Florence area. Six and seven-foot drifts were reported common on the highways.

Some milk trucks were unable to cover their usual routes.

An effort was being made tonight to secure a snowplow to clear the Burgettstown-Eldersville highway.

150 Cars In Jam on Pike West of City

Approximately 150 automobiles caught in a traffic jam west of Washington on Route 40, just beyond Lincoln Hill, were reported to have been released shortly after 8 o'clock last night.

Two large buses skidded and turned across the road as well as other machines and traffic was at a standstill throughout the greater part of yesterday.

Many of the persons were accommodated at homes along the highway and helped to add to the almost record number of telephone calls as they sought to reach their families or business associates.

The J. A. McLoney home furnished accommodations for a large number of the men, women and children stranded in the snowstorm.

Schools At Avella Close

AVELLA, Feb. 14.—Avella was virtually snowbound today, so completely so that Principal T. A. Smith dismissed school until next Monday.

Five-foot drifts were reported on the roads about Independence and West Middletown and strip mines in this district were forced to suspend operations.

No mail reached the district during the day.

No milk was delivered, farmers supplying the town being unable to make their way through drifted roads.

The Jefferson Coal Company inside mine operated although some of the workmen were unable to reach the plant.

Older residents reported the snowfall about as heavy as they could remember.

Dr. Hutchison, of W. & J., Turns Hitch-Hiker in Storm

Dr. Ralph Cooper Hutchison, president of Washington and Jefferson College, joined the "Legion of Hitchhikers" yesterday.

While en route to Pittsburgh to meet Kensuke Horinouche, Japanese ambassador to the United States, Dr. Hutchison's automobile plowed into a heavy snow drift and stalled on Route 19, four miles north of Donaldson Crossroads, at 7 a. m.

Dr. Hutchison hailed a car and went to Donaldson Crossroads, from where he arranged with Park J. Alexander, of Pittsburgh, secretary of the Board of Trustees, by telephone, to meet Mr. Horinouche at Pennsylvania Station.

Returning with a wrecking outfit to his automobile, Dr. Hutchison and mechanics worked until 9:30 in a vain attempt to free the car. Seeing that his efforts were fruitless, Dr. Hutchison "pitched" a ride.

with another passing motorist and arrived in Washington in time for chapel.

Meanwhile, the Japanese ambassador was having his difficulties, too. The train on which he was traveling from Washington, D. C., to Pittsburgh, was late, and he missed the Baltimore and Ohio passenger train on which he was scheduled to come to Washington.

Upon learning that the Japanese ambassador was being delayed, Pennsylvania railroad officials made a special effort to make up a train—scheduled to leave Pittsburgh at 9:30—which left the Steel City at 11 a. m.

But his troubles were not over.

Though his train was scheduled to arrive in Washington at noon, it struck a frozen switch between Washington and Houston, and his arrival was delayed another half

FRANTIC CREWS ENDEAVOR TO OPEN MAIN HIGHWAYS

Feb 15, 1940

Washington County toiled doggedly last night to dig out of an 18½-inch snowfall—one of the heaviest in local history—which paralyzed transportation, closed scores of schools, marooned hundreds of travelers, made thousands of County residents snowbound, disrupted mail service, brought business almost to a standstill and kept thousands of workmen from mills, mines and factories.

Not since Citizens Water Company here began keeping careful weather records in 1916 has any snow so heavy hit this district—the deepest recorded in that period being 15 inches—and other records indicated the equal of the present storm had not occurred since 1890 when there was an 18-inch fall. Pittsburgh records show the snowfall to be the heaviest in 38 years.

Crews of State and County highway workers battled grimly last night to open and keep open main highways, continuing a fight that started early Tuesday afternoon when the storm first broke. Strong winds that sprang up late Tuesday and continued until last night made their task almost hopeless for many hours as the whirling snow was piled into huge drifts that in some places were as much as 10 feet deep.

Most of the principal roads were open by last midnight, but some few were still closed.

Meanwhile, a majority of the rural roads were completely blocked by drifts because every available piece of snow-fighting equipment had to be used on main highways.

Traveling conditions were so bad, however, that all bus service through Washington was suspended in midafternoon and probably will not be resumed until some time today.

Street car service in Washington was completely halted until last night, when operations were resumed on parts of two lines. Interurban service from Washington to Pittsburgh and in the Monongahela Valley was completely halted since early yesterday morning.

The following reports on conditions of major highways in the County were given last midnight by Roy A. Speck, County superintendent of the State Highway Department, and G. Lester Allman, superintendent of the County Road Department, both weary from being continuously on duty more than 36 hours:

Route 40 open west of Washington, but still closed east between Washington and Brownsville.

Routes 18 and 19 entirely open in the County.

Route 31 closed both east and west of Washington, with hours of work needed to clear away huge drifts.

Route 22 entirely open.

Route 28 blocked at the intersection with Route 18, halting traffic to Hickory and Avella.

The Washington-Pittsburgh road via McMurray open in the County, but blocked just over the County line east of McMurray.

Lone Pine road virtually impassible.

McDonald - Burgettstown road closed.

All of the main highways were expected to be opened again before morning, with possible exception of Route 31 between Washington and Monongahela.

Both departments reported "scores" of rural roads were closed by drifts, but said that all plows will be assigned to them this morning when the main highways have been opened, providing drifts are not still forming. The wind had died by early morning today, halting drifting.

On City streets and along major highways, deep drifts at the sides of the thoroughfares were studded with literally hundreds of automobiles and trucks that had got off the beaten path and became fast.

Hundreds of motorists were marooned, and every available hotel room in Washington was filled last night, with a number of persons spending the night in chairs in lobbies.

When bus lines suspended service yesterday, about 15 "through" passengers to distant points were

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marooned here and spent the night. Passengers bound for Wheeling and Pittsburgh were sent through by trains, which operated steadily but far behind service.

One of the first interurban cars stuck fast in a drift near Meadowlands early yesterday morning, and no further service was attempted. Pittsburgh Railways officials said they hoped to resume operations today.

In Washington, all street car service was halted from early morning to 4 p. m., and a number of cars were left standing in streets. Late in the afternoon, service was resumed on the Jefferson avenue end of the Jefferson-Maiden line, but East-West and North Washington lines were still not operating. Service is expected to be resumed this morning. Several of the cars are off the tracks due to ice, while one took fire about the motor.

In the report on highways, officials said that even where roads are reported open travel is hazardous because at any time a heavy truck may skid into a drift and block the road, or a hopeless traffic tangle may develop to block other machines.

Route 40 just west of Lincoln Hill was blocked for several hours late yesterday when two big vehicles swung sideways in the road and stuck. About 150 cars were lined up each way before the tangle was cleared away about 8:30 p. m. Many of the passengers in the stranded cars were taken in at neighboring homes.

Between Washington and Monongahela, two State snow plows were stuck in 10-foot drifts near Dunningville.

Two giant snow plows were rushed here late yesterday from Somerset County and went to work on the Washington-Monongahela road.

Three buses were stalled about noon just beyond McMurray on the Washington-Pittsburgh road and were still there early this morning.

Court trials were postponed yesterday when only two jurors in one trial and six in another were able to report for duty, and many attorneys were unable to get through.

County Recorder of Deeds John H. Cooper, with several jurors in his car, was unable to get to Washington from Monongahela.

The office of the County Superintendent of Schools reported "almost all" of the County schools, which have a total enrollment exceeding 31,000, were closed yesterday and many will not reopen until Monday.

Sixteen Eldersville district boys and girls, en route by bus to Burgettstown Union High School, were stalled in the storm three miles west of Burgettstown yesterday and were forced to spend the night at homes in that district.

In the Canonsburg district, the Canonsburg Coal Company and Midland mines were shut down because of the snow, and it is understood other mines in the County also closed, throwing hundreds of men out of work.

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Other hundreds of residents of rural sections were unable to get to their work here and at other points yesterday.

Announcement was made that Cecil, Chartiers and North Strabane Township schools would not have classes until Monday.

None of the six rural mail carriers working out of the Washington postoffice were able to cover their full routes yesterday, and one, Warren Weaver, carrying R. D. 1, was delayed four hours fighting drifts.

Telephone calls here yesterday were second only to the rush incident to the St. Patricks Day flood in 1936, and may have set an all-

HEAVIEST SNOWFALL IN 38 YEARS IN DISTRICT

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To thousands of men the snow meant extra employment. The State Highway Department called out 14,000, put all of its equipment into service and rented 365 trucks equipped with snow plows.

Most of the eastern section of the State had a foot of snow, with 12-foot drifts reported in Susquehanna County and eight-foot ones in Lackawanna. Some Berks and Lancaster County school districts were closed and villages were isolated except for telephones. A 45 to 60 miles-an-hour wind whistled through Lancaster.

All collieries of the Lehigh Navigation Coal Company were closed today.

Weather forecasters joined in saying there was no flood threat—unless a heavy rain follows. The precipitation in Pittsburgh was placed at slightly more than one inch. The great St. Patrick's Day flood of 1936 came when some five inches of rain fell as snow and ice melted.

Train service generally was uninterrupted, but most bus, street car and airplane traffic was badly disrupted.

In Pittsburgh interurban street cars were marooned in snow drifts and trolley service was halted in many sections of the city. Thousands were late for work—some as much as six hours.

Unable to get trolleys on schedule by late afternoon, the Pittsburgh Street Railways Company called upon employes to send workers home in groups to eliminate the rush hour jam. The company estimated it would cost \$60,000 to clear snow from the tracks.

Commuters' trains—which had better luck than buses and street cars in penetrating the snow—were put on shuttle schedules to pick up and discharge passengers at scores of extra stops.

Hundreds of school children were unable to break through the drifted snow, forcing suspension of elementary schools in Donora and Pittsburgh, in sections of Westmoreland County and in many rural areas. More than 150,000 students had a holiday from classes but were ordered back tomorrow.

The heaviest snow, 20 inches, struck Johnstown. Six to 12 inches blanketed the Warren-Erie-Meadville area; 10 to 12 inches fell in the Uniontown-Washington-Waynesburg district; 10 to 12 in the vicinity of Somerset and Bedford; 11 to 12 inches in the Clearfield-Ridgway-Bradford section; 11 to 12 inches in the Wellsboro-Sayre-Honesdale area; and from two to 10 inches in eastern counties south of Sayre.

Brisk winds whipped up drifts 14 feet deep in the northern part of Wayne County, and hip-deep drifts near Erie and Sayre.

In the southeast tip of the state, a cold rain turned to a blizzard-like snow storm.

All main highways were open—some only for one lane traffic—but most of the rural highways were blocked. In Pittsburgh, the Automobile Club warned motorists not to venture out of the city.

Telephone and telegraph poles were blown down in Lancaster County. In the city of Lancaster, four inches of snow hampered bus and trolley transportation.

In Lackawanna County, 9,000 WPA workers were sent home because the storm prevented outside work.

Despite the heavy snowfall, government weather observers and Army engineers in Pittsburgh insisted there was no danger of serious floods unless heavy rains set in. They pointed out that prior to the memorable St. Patrick's day flood of 1936 there was more ice in the rivers and rain fell almost constantly from the latter part of February.

At Parker, 60 miles north of Pittsburgh the Allegheny River rose behind a 12-mile-long ice gorge and flooded the lower parts of the city for the third consecutive day. It receded later, but engineers expressed fear the gorge might break up there at any time and send huge chunks of ice crashing into homes and business houses on the main street near the river.

GAMBRIA COUNTY REPORTS FALL OF 20 INCHES THERE

Despite Unusual Precipitation Danger of Floods in This Section Is Not Believed to Be Great.

MANY WORKERS UNABLE TO REPORT FOR DUTY

High Wind Blows British Freighter From Anchorage in Philadelphia — Heavy Gorge in Allegheny River.

MAY BREAK AT ANY TIME

(By Associated Press)

One of the worst blizzards of the twentieth century held the greater part of the Keystone State firmly in its grasp today.

Snow, which fell steadily through most of Wednesday, blanketed the ground from six to 20 inches deep. The previous record of 15 inches established in Pittsburgh in 1902 was exceeded by about five inches.

Deaths of half a dozen persons were charged to the storm, either directly or indirectly. Hundreds of thousands of school children took or were given holidays, which in numerous instances will extend until next Monday. All traffic was tied up.

In Somerset County, which has been plagued for a month by heavy snows, 45 rosy-cheeked pupils were marooned for a time in the Shade Township High School, then given a night's lodging at private homes in Cairnbrook.

Ernest R. Dinkle, 52, an engineer on the State's all-weather highway, died in a Laurel Hill mountain camp, apparently of heart disease, and neither doctors nor an undertaker was able to get through to the site.

In Pittsburgh, which bore the brunt of the storm, Walter E. Brown, 62, died of a heart attack after shoveling snow from his sidewalk. Frank Sattler, 61, heating up the motor of his car in a garage, was killed by carbon monoxide.

An auto-truck collision in Philadelphia resulted in the death of Mrs. Lillian Higgins, 32, and injuries to five women.

A 5,000-ton British freighter was blown loose from its moorings into Philadelphia Harbor, where it later was caught and tied up.

A 12-inch snow in the Poconos caused postponement of a dog sled derby at Buck Hill Falls.

Visits in Avella District

Alex Sabo, son of Mrs. A. Sabo, of near Avella, has spent several days with his mother and relatives of near here. He was accompanied by his wife Marie, and daughter Ella May. He is employed in Croton Falls, N. Y., on the Delaware Aqueduct work. He has been employed there for the last year. His brother, Steve, is also employed there.

Bucks Drifts On Old W. & W. Line

WAYNESBURG, Feb. 13.—It was just like old steam days of the Waynesburg & Washington narrow gauge railroad for James Swart, former engineer who now operates a gasoline coach over the line, when he was making his regular semi-weekly run Saturday. He was forced to buck his way through

huge snowdrifts near Van Kirk, Judge Chambers and Summit Siding, all well known stops back in the heyday of the historic line.

Swart, together with his helper on the gasolife coach, Woodrow Swanniger, encountered severe drifts, some as deep as six feet, but bucked through them just as Swart and other engineers of the line used to do during the "old-fashioned" winters.

33 MAROONED IN HOME OF FARMER AND FAMILY

SELINSGROVE, Feb. 14.—(AP)—The winter's heaviest snowstorm unloaded 30 rural boys and girls, a school bus driver and a Shamokin couple into the hands of a Snyder County farmer, his wife and six children today, with the prospect that the unexpected guests would have to stay in the big, rambling farmhouse for several days.

Marooned by snowdrifts up to 15 feet deep that have closed all county roads in the vicinity, the 33 lagged through waist-deep snow to reach the home of J. Lee Moyer, 10 miles west of rural Freeburg and about seven miles from Selinsgrove.

Triple Plea Brings Jail

ERIE, Feb. 14.—(AP)—Anthony Okonski, of Erie, pleading guilty to robbery, jail-breaking and the theft of an automobile, was sentenced today to 10 years in Western Penitentiary.

Roads Blocked, Court Is Forced to Adjourn Few Days

Court was forced to adjourn yesterday morning because the unusually heavy snowfall had blocked all roads and street car lines. Early yesterday morning jurors and witnesses began calling to the District Attorney and other Court-house officials that it would be impossible for them to get in on account of the deep snow and drifts. The two cases on trial Tuesday afternoon were continued until it will be possible for jurors and parties interested in the cases to reach Washington.

District Attorney George T. Cummins stated yesterday that he would make a request for another judge to be sent to Washington to help try the cases in order that the list may be finished during the term, which will end on Friday, February 23.

165 Absent At W. Alexander

WEST ALEXANDER, Feb. 14.—Heavy snow of the past 24 hours, followed by high winds, kept streets of West Alexander drifted over and impassable today and prevented the delivery of mail.

Morning newspapers were delivered, but no evening papers reached subscribers.

A few residents were able to get out North Liberty street to Route 40.

Only a 40 per cent attendance was reported at West Alexander schools, and in the primary grade only two of 45 pupils were able to attend classes. One hundred sixty-five students were absent. Officials reported, however, that West Alexander schools would be open Thursday.

Before Judge Carl E. Gibson the cases of Noah Tyson, of Pittsburgh Thomas Brown, of National Three and Thomas Tucker, of Midland, Negroes, charged with larceny and burglary, were on trial when Court adjourned Tuesday afternoon. At that time the cases against these defendants had been completed, and Judge Gibson was ready to charge the jury yesterday morning but this was impossible.

It was also impossible to continue with the trial of Clyde Gibson, Negro, of Red Hill, near Daisytown, who was on trial when Court adjourned Tuesday afternoon, charged with conducting a lottery, before Judge Robert E. Burnside. The defense had not finished in this case, but it will be continued as soon as the parties interested and the jurors can reach Washington.

SNOWBOUND PAPERS TO BE DELIVERED TODAY

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Several communities in the Panhandle District of Washington County which did not receive Wednesday's Observers because of the storm will receive them today.

The Observer truck which was carrying the papers until it became stuck in a snowdrift on the ridge between Hickory and Venice was dug out of the snow last night. The road was opened late in the evening, and the truck was found completely covered with snow. It was dug out of the drifts and pulled to a Venice garage, having refused to run after emerging from cold storage.

Still in the truck were Wednesday's papers for Cecil, McDonald, Midway, Bulger, Joffre, Burgettstown, Slovan, Cross Creek, Avella, Independence, West Middletown, and Buffalo. These papers will all be delivered today except those for Cross Creek. The road going through Cross Creek, between Avella and Burgettstown, is still not open.

Use Sleighs In Marianna Area

MARIANNA, Feb. 14.—Heavily drifted and wind-swept highways in the Marianna district halted delivery today of most rural mail, newspapers and milk.

Marianna schools were closed because of the impassable conditions of the roads, and it is not probable that they will be reopened until the first of next week.

Residents of the district, their automobiles paralyzed, resorted to the use of sleighs or remained marooned in their homes.

Mrs. Gilland Studer Group postponed. *1563144

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SCHOOLS CLOSED, TRAFFIC STALLED, MAIL IS DELAYED

Records Kept by George B. Moredock, of Jefferson, Show Present Snow Second Only to Famous 1890 Fall.

RURAL HIGHWAYS BLOCKED

WAYNESBURG, Feb. 14.—Greene County was held today in the icy hand of a near-record snowfall second only to the famous snow of December, 1890.

Between 15 and 16 inches of snow, drifted at many places to a depth of from eight to 10 feet, closed schools, blocked highways, halted transportation, restricted mail deliveries and caused untold hardships for residents of all sections of the County.

George B. Moredock, prominent banker, land owner and dealer in coal lands at Jefferson, dug into his diary today and brought out the fact that only the 18-inch snow of December 17, 1890, was deeper than the present snow which began falling early Tuesday afternoon and continued furiously until early afternoon today.

Mr. Moredock's records also showed that 15 inches of snow fell Nov. 10, 1913, at the time a Washington & Waynesburg Railroad train became stalled in drifts near Vankirk Station and passengers were forced to stay over night in a nearby farm house. At that time Jefferson-Waynesburg mails were blocked for four days.

On April 10, 1918, a total of 12 inches of snow fell, and on April 28, 1928, there was from 10 to 12 inches. He also recalled a very deep snow in 1888 when roads were blocked and mail did not go to Waynesburg for one week.

All rural mail deliveries went out from the Waynesburg post office today, and most of the carriers succeeded in delivering the greater part of their mail. From some of the other post offices in the County, no deliveries were made due to drifted roads.

Rural highways in many sections were completely blocked and hundreds of families were snow-bound in their homes.

The transit company was unable to make regular trips to Rices Landing and Crucible.

Many of the schools of the County were closed. In Waynesburg, schools were open by there were many absentees. At Waynesburg High School, 250 of the 600 pupils were absent today.

Washington-Waynesburg mail truck went through on schedule.

Scores of men were out of work today, unable to get to their places of employment.

In adjacent sections of West Virginia, bus transportation was halted. One Wheeling-Woodruff train hit such deep drifts that the engine was uncoupled to run ahead and buck the track clear. Passengers from a Mannington-Wheeling bus were marooned by drifts many hours before being transferred to a train. All Wetzell County Schools were closed until Monday, County Superintendent L. M. Garrett announced.

More Rural Roads Are Being Opened for Mail and Papers

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More rural roads were becoming passable yesterday as people dug out of the drifts. Yesterday The Observer was able to make almost the entire rounds with delivery trucks. Independence, Avella, Studa and Cross Creek which had been without daily mail or papers since the snow fell received their Observers Friday morning for the first time and it is expected that the trucks will make the entire circuits today without making backtracks as they have done since the tie-up.

In order to get to Burgettstown and that section, Thursday the truck hit Route 22 north to McDonald and went to Florence and entered Burgettstown from that section.

To get The Observer to the main distributing points the trucks travelled many, many miles from the beaten path and with few exceptions the readers received their papers throughout the tie-up. The service,

truck which was in "cold storage" on the Hickory-Venice road for 18 hours was back in service yesterday after being excavated from the huge drifts Thursday night.

The residents of Hickory received their Observers Thursday by a new method of transportation. The road was blocked into Hickory and the papers were left at the Frazier filling station near Mt. Prospect Church. D. F. Miller, the rural carrier from Hickory, journeyed to the filling station on foot, pulling his youngsters' sled. The sack was taken to the Hickory office on the sled and the patrons received their papers.

Friday Mr. Miller covered the entire route from the Hickory office and expects to cover it again today. It was erroneously stated that Mr. Miller would not attempt to cover his route this week. He has always gone through whenever possible and is always ready to give his patrons the best of

SMITH TOWNSHIP TO OPEN SCHOOLS TODAY

BURGETTSTOWN, Feb. 15—Sixteen boys and girls of Union High School, marooned last night in the Leo Greco service station, three miles west of here, by snowdrifts, reached their homes safely during today. They were none the worse for their experience, most of them expressing the opinion it was a "lot of fun."

It was announced today that Smith Township schools would resume classes Friday, practically all the main highways being reported as having been opened during today and tonight.

Is Confined to Bed

Scott Noah, 80, of near Hickory, whose wife died recently, is reported as ailing and confined to his bed.

JACOB ROTTA

Jacob Rotta, 67, died at 9 o'clock Thursday morning, February 15, 1940, in his home on Main street, Burgettstown. He had been ill for several weeks.

He was born October 15, 1872, in Italy, and came to the United States 57 years ago. He was a member of Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church, Burgettstown, and of the Sons of Italy at Burgettstown.

Surviving are three sons and three daughters. Mrs. Rose Garius, of Atlasburg; Mrs. Adeline Zilka, Eugene Rotta, John Rotta, Ernest Rotta and Violet Rotta, all of Burgettstown; 11 grandchildren, and one brother and two sisters in Italy.

Services will be held at 2:30 o'clock Sunday, February 18, in Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church, Burgettstown. Burial will be in the Fairview Cemetery, Burgettstown.

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ALL PRINCIPAL HIGHWAYS OPEN, OFFICIALS SAY

Street Car Service Resumed on All But One Line in Washington—Interurban Lines Again Operating.

BUSES RUN ON PARTIAL SCHEDULE IN DISTRICT

Scores of Rural Schools Will Be Closed Until Monday— Thousands of Rural Resi- dents Still Snowbound.

TEMPERATURE HITS ZERO

A light thaw yesterday helped Washington County dig its way toward normalcy out of the deepest snowfall on record, and by last night main highways were open, trolley service had been resumed and a few of the scores of snow-blocked rural roads had been opened.

Although there were many absentees, schools in Washington and other large municipalities resumed regular classes yesterday after a one-day interruption, but most rural schools were still closed and will remain so until Monday.

Roy A. Speck, County Superintendent of the State Highway Department, reported last midnight that all main State highways in the County were open, and that his 12 heavy snow plows were tackling the imposing job of digging out roads leading to hundreds of storm-bound rural residences. About 80 per cent of rural roads under State supervision were closed at midnight, he said, but he expressed confidence a large part of them would be cleared today.

State plows are being worked 24 hours a day in 12-hour shifts and the County road department is making a similar day and night fight to open roads under its jurisdiction. Plow trucks of both departments were stuck in drifts "dozens of times."

Most of the hundreds of stalled autos, trucks and buses that had been abandoned along main highways were freed yesterday, and traffic was moving last night on all main highways.

Street car service in Washington, suspended throughout Wednesday, was resumed yesterday morning on the Jefferson-Maiden and East-West lines, and the North Washington run was expected to be started this morning.

Interurban trolley service between Washington and Pittsburgh, suspended since Wednesday morning, was resumed at 5 p. m., yesterday. Interurban lines in the Monongahela Valley district were scheduled to resume operations last night.

Bus lines through Washington began operating again yesterday morning, although only part of the normal number of trips were made. By last night, all lines were operating except that between Washington and Steubenville, which was expected to resume this morning, when full schedules on all runs will go into effect.

Washington-Pittsburgh buses yesterday, leaving here, went to Canonsburg, thence to Venice, and from there followed Route 28 into Pittsburgh.

Rural mail carriers out of the Washington office all succeeded in covering most of their routes, but none completed the full circuit. Mail deliveries in Washington went back almost to normal.

The volume of telephone calls through the Washington exchange fell toward normal yesterday after a near-record total of 73,000 local calls had been handled Wednesday in a rush day that may have exceeded the all-time record set during the flood emergency in 1936. District Manager Stanley Ross, who had been snowbound at his home near Washington all Wednesday, succeeded in making his way to Washington last night. Normal local calls for one day are about 43,000 he reported. A total of 3,600 out-of-town calls were handled Wednesday as compared with a normal number of 1,900.

Yesterday's brief thaw, which came when the temperature reached the day's high mark of 35 above zero, served to help clear roads and at the same time caused snow to settle enough that further drifting is unlikely.

The temperature began playing tricks here against last night, and by midnight was down to zero at the pump station of Citizens Water Company.

The forecast calls for higher temperatures today, followed by rain or snow tonight and Saturday, with lower temperatures late Saturday.

The 18½-inch snow here is equal to 1.57 inches of rain, the water company reported last night.

One of the last roads to be opened last night was Route 28 leading into Hickory. Before that, the Wednesday Observer was delivered by truck to a service station a mile from Hickory, and D. F. Miller, a rural carrier, hauled the load into Hickory on a boy's sled.

Two heavy snow plows reached here from Somerset County Wednesday night to help the State workers, and last night three more came here from Harrisburg to speed the work of opening rural highways.

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SHEEPMEN FIGHT TO SAVE SHEEP FROM BIG SNOW

Serious Danger of Starvation Threatens When Heavy Snow Buries Forage—Own- ers Report Good Success.

MOVED TO FEEDING SHEDS

WAYNESBURG, Feb. 15.—Greene County sheepmen worked hard and long Wednesday to save their sheep, caught in the heaviest snow in decades, and tonight indications were that all sheep of the county had been gotten to where they could be fed.

Cut off from feed by nearly a foot and a half of snow, which buried haystacks and made it impossible for the sheep to burrow to other forage, the sheep were in serious danger unless they could be taken to feed and, in some cases, shelter.

As a result, sheepmen were busy all day Thursday, and many yet tonight, moving their sheep to sheds and places of shelter, where they could be fed.

Tonight two of the largest sheep owners, one of them owning 650 sheep and the other almost 1,000, reported that all their sheep had been rescued and they had sustained no losses. E. C. Cowell, of Waynesburg, owner of another of the largest flocks in the county, reported that his men were kept busy until dark Wednesday night rounding up the sheep.

Another Proof Of Extent of Snowfall

Further proof that this week's snowfall is one of the heaviest in the district's history was brought forward yesterday when ten tons of snow was removed from the roof of the Forgie building, Jefferson and Hall avenues. This is the greatest accumulation of snow removed from the roof since the building was erected. The previous was six tons, in 1904.

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TWO MEN ARE DEAD IN MYSTERIOUS SHOOTING AFFRAY

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Two men were killed and a woman wounded in a mysterious shooting affray at the home of Ralph Caldwell, 35, a farmer residing near Eighty Four, about seven miles east of Washington.

The men reported dead early this morning were:

Caldwell, 35, father of two children.

Glenn Plants, 28, who lived in the other side of the house occupied by the Caldwell family.

According to reports received in Washington, Plants was shot and fatally wounded by Mrs. Caldwell, following the slaying of her husband.

The shooting was said to have taken place about 8:30 Wednesday evening.

Plants was said to have come to the back door of the Caldwell home, and asked to see Caldwell.

A young, unidentified farm hand went to summon Caldwell from the upstairs of his home, but Caldwell had already come into the kitchen.

According to the report, Caldwell opened the door, saw who the caller was, slammed the door and locked it.

When he turned his back to the door, Plants is said to have fired through the kitchen window, shooting Caldwell in the back.

It was not known how many shots were fired.

Mrs. Caldwell, who was in the kitchen at the time, grasped her husband in her arms, and he gained a landing on the stairway, where he fell dead.

Plants, it is said, carried a clothesline with him, and had said he was going to tie up the family of four and kill them all, including the two children, Harold, 5, and Lloyd, 8.

About midnight it was reported that Mrs. Caldwell, suffering from gunshot wounds in both arms, accompanied by Harold and Lloyd and the young farm hand, ran to the home of a neighbor, Charles R. Owens, and informed him of the tragedy.

It was not known how Mrs. Caldwell received the wounds.

Mrs. Caldwell told the neighbor that after shooting her husband, Plants had pointed the gun at his own chest and told Mrs. Caldwell to pull the trigger.

Meanwhile he had cut the telephone lines in the Caldwell home. Owens immediately notified police authorities.

Plants was said to have threatened to kill Mrs. Caldwell one night last week. He had been employed by Caldwell for nearly a year.

TRAGEDY VICTIM



Ralph Caldwell, above, North Strabane Township milk producer, who was shot and killed by Glenn Plants, his former employe, at the Caldwell home Wednesday night.

MRS. CALDWELL RELATES STORY OF DUAL KILLING

District Attorney Says Statement of Woman Corroborates Story Gathered From Other Sources.

HER CONDITION GOOD; INFECTION DEVELOPS

Coroner Has Not Set Date for Inquest Pending Outcome of Wounds of Wife of Slain Farmer.

WOUNDED IN BOTH ARMS

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District Attorney George T. Cummins reported last night Mrs. Ralph Caldwell, 26, made a statement to officers yesterday which "corroborated" the story secured by authorities from other sources of the slaying of her husband and Glenn Plants, 28, at the snow-bound Caldwell home seven miles east of Washington Wednesday night.

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MRS. CALDWELL REPORTED IMPROVING AT HOSPITAL

Mrs. Ralph Caldwell, wounded last Wednesday night at her home seven miles east of Washington when her husband and Glenn Plants, a discharged farm hand, were shot to death, was reported improving last night in Washington Hospital.

The date for an inquest in the case has not yet been set, and District Attorney George T. Cummins said last night a hearing will not be held until after the inquest.

The District Attorney also stated that the woman, now in Washington Hospital for treatment of gunshot wounds, would be detained pending further investigation and a coroner's inquest.

Officers had previously said Plants, who had been employed by Caldwell as a farm hand but was discharged about 10 days ago, had appeared at the farm house Wednesday night and fired through a kitchen window with a shotgun he had purchased the same day in Washington. The charge of small shot struck Caldwell in the back and also wounded Mrs. Caldwell, who had thrown her arms around her husband. Caldwell died within a minute.

Plants then forced his way into the house, authorities stated, and three hours later placed the muzzle of a shotgun against his chest and forced Mrs. Caldwell to pull the trigger, after he had threatened to kill her and the Caldwell's two children.

The first shooting occurred about 8 p. m. and the second about 11 p. m.

State and County officers were unable to reach the scene until 10 o'clock Thursday morning because of huge snow drifts, and it was after 2 p. m. Thursday before Mrs. Caldwell could be brought to the hospital.

Funeral services for Plants are to be held at 2 o'clock this afternoon at the Brownlee Funeral Home in Claysville. Burial will be in Claysville Cemetery.

Ralph Huey Caldwell was born November 1, 1904, in Greene County, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Caldwell. He was graduated from Trinity High School in 1924 and then attended Washington and Jefferson College. For several years he taught school in South Strabane Township.

He married Mary Rothwell on February 14, 1932. Three children were born to this union: Lloyd Frank, age 7; Harold Huey, age 5, and one daughter, deceased.

He knocked on the kitchen door and asked to see Caldwell. Lester Phillips, 16, of 1160 Fayette street, Washington, a farm hand, went to summon Caldwell but the latter had already come down from his bedroom and was entering the kitchen.

He opened the door, slammed it shut quickly and shouted, "My God, it's Plants!" He began to run from the kitchen and his wife then saw Plants looking in a window, with the gun raised to a firing position.

She screamed and put her arms around her husband, who was running towards her. Plants fired, the shot striking Caldwell in the back and wounding Mrs. Caldwell in both shoulders and elbows.

The wounded husband and wife tried to reach the second floor but Caldwell fell dead as they reached a landing of the stairway.

By this time Plants had forced his way into the house. He ordered Phillips to take the two Caldwell children, eight-year-old Lloyd and five-year-old Harold, to an upstairs room. Then he turned to Mrs. Caldwell and told her that he wanted to talk with her upstairs.

Pleading for her life, Mrs. Caldwell asked him to put down the shotgun. He did so and the two of them walked upstairs. It was reported to police that Plants then picked up an alarm clock and said to Mrs. Caldwell, "This is set for four o'clock. When the alarm rings I am going to shoot you, too."

Plants then went downstairs and returned a few minutes later with a note. He had scrawled a message addressed to Mrs. Caldwell's mother, Mr. Caldwell's father and to Mrs. Nora Plants, his wife. The latter resides in Washington, the others in rural neighborhoods near here. He signed his name to the note and asked Mrs. Caldwell to do the same.

Plants then summoned Phillips to the room and said, "I want you to be a witness." Then he picked up a shotgun, belonging to Caldwell. He placed the barrel against his heart and commanded Mrs. Caldwell to pull the trigger.

Young Phillips asked if he could turn his head away, saying that he couldn't stand the sight, but Plants was insistent. A moment later Mrs. Caldwell, almost prostrate with hysteria, was forced to pull the trigger. Plants fell to the floor mortally wounded.

Immediately Mrs. Caldwell, bleeding profusely because of the wounds received when she tried to protect her husband, ran through the snow to the home of a neighbor, Lindsay Owens, who lives about 1,000 feet from the Caldwell home. Phillips took the two children to the same house.

The tragic tale was there related to Owens and he immediately called the police.

Responding to the midnight call for aid, officers and a physician fought for 10 hours to reach the scene over deeply drifted roads, and it was not until 10 o'clock yesterday morning they reached the Owens home, traveling the last two miles on foot through hip-deep snow.

Another physician summoned by Owens had been unable to get through, but stopped at a residence a few miles away and from there gave directions by telephone to young Phillips to apply tourniquets to Mrs. Caldwell's arms.

After the doctor with the officers had treated Mrs. Caldwell's wounds, she was bundled onto a farm sled and it was drawn by a team of horses over the two-miles of rural road to Route 31, where an ambulance waited. She was brought to Washington Hospital about 2:30 p. m. Later, the two bodies were brought to the funeral home of Deputy Coroner Robert Gordon here by the same means.

Officers said that after Plants had shot Caldwell, he bandaged Mrs. Caldwell's arms.

Autopsies performed here late yesterday, authorities reported, showed a charge of small shot had struck Caldwell in the back and piddled his lungs, kidneys and main blood vessels. A similar charge of shot struck Plants squarely over the heart and caused instant death.

Caldwell's body was later removed to the A. Blaine Day Funeral Home, where arrangements for funeral services have not been completed. Plants' body was taken to the Brownlee Funeral Home at Claysville.

Caldwell, officers said, had farmed about 300 rented acres. He maintained a herd of about 40 cattle, and was milking 22 cows.

Young Phillips was questioned at length last night, but no effort was made to gather full details from Mrs. Caldwell. Officers plan to question her today.

Plants formerly operated a gasoline service station at Jefferson and Henderson avenues. Later he worked at the Brunswick pool room. For the past two years he had worked for Caldwell and lived there with his wife, Nora Harton Plants, and two children, Donald, age two, and Della, 13 months.

When he lost his job he came to Washington and left his wife and children at the home of her mother on Victoria street.

Wednesday afternoon he met his wife on North Main street, gave her some money to buy groceries, and said that he would call her later in the day. At 7 p. m. he telephoned her and said, "You can keep everything that belongs to me. I have gone too far now to turn back."

Police said that Caldwell had feared Plants might make an attempt on his life. When he was discharged Plants threatened to "return within 24 hours and kill somebody." Caldwell then procured the shotgun from which the shot which killed Plants was fired by Mrs. Caldwell.

Funeral services for Glenn Plants, one of the two victims of the double slaying at the Ralph Caldwell home, North Strabane Township, east of Washington, will be held at the Brownlee Funeral Home, Claysville, Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Burial will be in Claysville Cemetery.

The remains were removed to Claysville last night and friends will be received at the Brownlee Funeral Home.

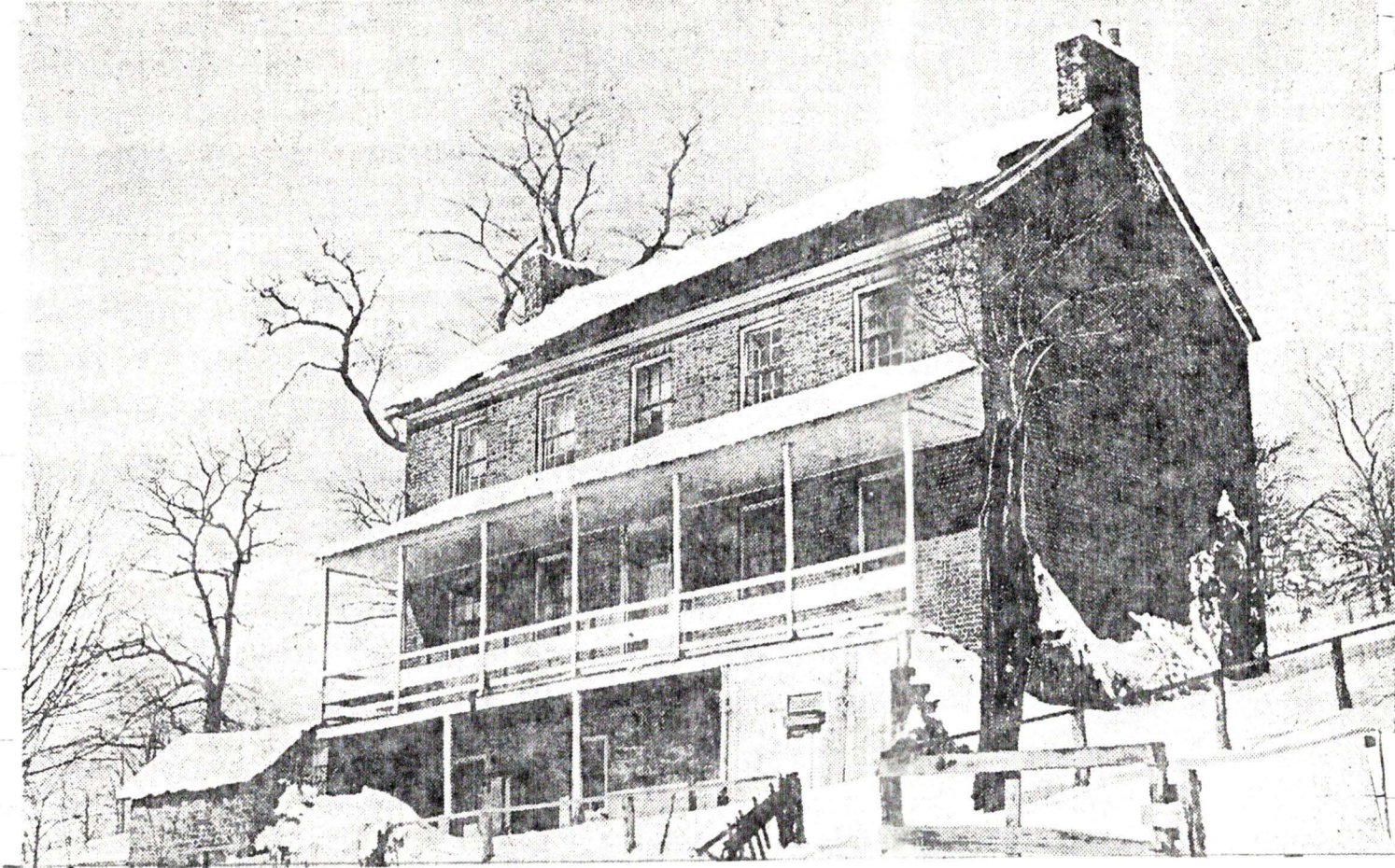
Young Plants, aged 24, was a son of Rufus and Margaret Porter Plants. He was born in East Finley Township, near Pleasant Grove.

Previous to his accepting employment at the Caldwell farm, Plants conducted a gasoline service station at Claysville and later in Washington. He lived on the Caldwell farm about two years.

Plants married Nora Harton, who survives, June 29, 1937. He leaves two children, Della and Donald.

His mother, Mrs. Margaret Plants, survives with three full brothers, John, Ray and Andrew, all of Claysville, R. D. He leaves the following half-brothers and sisters: Grover Plants, Elizabeth; Raymond Plants, Claysville; Thomas Conner, Claysville, R. D.; Mrs. Sadie Elliott, Washington; Mrs. J. L. Carey, Elizabeth; Mrs. Fred Erickson, Elizabeth and Mrs. Bert Crowe, of McDonald.

Scene and Victim in Fantastic Washington County Farm Shooting



Woman Cleared "From All Blame" for Shooting Glenn Plants Who Had Shot Down Her Husband.

DOUBLE KILLING FEB. 14 IN SNOWBOUND FARMHOUSE

Widow Relates Tearful Story of Horror-Filled Night and of Events Leading Up to Tragedy.

TELLS OF HIS ADVANCES

A coroner's jury of six men yesterday exonerated Mrs. Mary Caldwell, 26, "from all blame" for the death of Glenn L. Plants, 28, after she had testified he had killed her husband at the snowbound Caldwell home in North Strabane Township on the night of Feb. 14 and three hours later had forced her to pull the trigger of a shotgun Plants aimed at his own chest.

Following the inquest, which was held before a capacity gathering in the office of Coroner James B. Jones, District Attorney George T. Cummins announced he will abide by the jury's verdict and that so far as his office is concerned the case is closed.

The same jury found that Ralph Caldwell had died of wounds "caused by a shot fired from a shotgun in the hands of Glenn L. Plants, now deceased."

Mrs. Caldwell, who had been held on a technical charge of murder following her dismissal from Washington Hospital where she had been treated for wounds sustained when her husband was shot down, told the story of the horror-filled night in a voice choked with emotion, and with tears streaming down her face. Her arms were still in bandages, and one was in a splint due to a bone fracture caused by one of the many small shots which struck her.

When Mrs. Caldwell was called to the witness stand, Coroner Jones explained her constitutional rights, but her attorney, Warren S. Burchinal, said she desired to tell her story.

The widow said the story of the double tragedy went back to three weeks before the shooting, when Plants, employed as a farm hand, had gone into the Caldwell house and attempted to kiss her, but she fought him off. She did not mention the incident to her husband, she testified, but said that a few days later Caldwell had accused her of "acting the fool" while looking through a window at Plants. Her husband and Plants had an argument over the matter later in a stable, and as a result she told Plants not to speak to her again.

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On numerous occasions, she said, Plants went to her and told about his wife, urging Mrs. Caldwell to go away with him.

"If you don't go with me, you'll be sorry," she quoted him as saying.

Plants kept insisting repeatedly until she finally consented. Mrs. Caldwell testified, but she explained she did not intend to keep the promise, hoping that something would intervene in the meantime.

A few days before the shooting, she said, Plants went into the house, called her into a room, locked the door and attempted to attack her, but she fought him off. She quoted him as saying then:

"I can't stand it any longer. I'm going to kill myself."

She replied: "You had better forget this foolishness and milk the cows."

Instead, she said, Plants left and went to his home.

That evening Plants saw Caldwell and told him: "I've fallen in love with your wife and I can't get over it. I'm going to kill myself," she testified, and Caldwell immediately discharged the farm hand. At the time, Plants had a shotgun and Caldwell took it from him, the widow said.

The next day she received an anonymous telephone call, but she recognized the voice as Plants, and he said he had driven all night to the home of her brother in the state of Indiana.

That same night, Mrs. Caldwell testified, she told the whole story to her husband, then wrote a letter to her brother, warning him of Plants, and another to Plants telling him never to come near her, and advising him to return to his wife and children and take care of them. She showed the letter to her husband, and mailed it Feb. 9.

She heard no more from Plants until the night of Feb. 14, when there was a knock on the kitchen door while she and her husband were putting their children to bed. Lester Phillips, 16, of Washington, who was working for them, answered the knock and called Caldwell, and the latter went downstairs.

Mrs. Caldwell said she heard the door slam and her husband say, "My God, it's Plants."

She related that she ran downstairs and threw her arms around her husband, and at that moment a shot was fired through a window. She said she did not know her husband was wounded, but realized she had been shot in both arms because of the pain. A moment later her husband collapsed and died while trying to mount the stairs.

Plants came into the kitchen, and made Phillips put up his hands, she said, then forced Phillips to take the two Caldwell children upstairs.

He said he was going to kill himself and Mrs. Caldwell, she testified.

Crying because of the pain in her wounded arms, she asked Plants to allow her to kiss her babies before he killed her, and he consented. When Phillips took the children to the second floor, Plants bound her arms with a dish towel to stop the flow of blood.

The widow testified Plants then attempted to attack her, but that she fought him off, and she pleaded with him to let her stay with her babies. They went upstairs together, and there she talked with her two boys until about 10:45 p. m., telling them that their father was dead and that Plants was going to kill her, and instructing them on what she wanted them to do.

She told Plants that he had let his own wife live so that she might rear their children, and she pleaded with him to spare her for her children, she said. He replied, she testified: "I'd have killed her this afternoon if I had known."

Then, she said, Plants went downstairs and a short time later returned with a note he had written and signed, which stated:

"I just comited murder and suicide to end it all . . . the end has come for all of us good bye. . . I just got even with Ralph for his smart trick he played on me and my family. . . Mrs. Rathwell i have ended the life of your daughter. . ."

Under his signature on the note, Mrs. Caldwell testified, he had added that: "Mary has decided to murder me instead of me comit suicide this is wrote by me but sined by Mary."

Mrs. Caldwell said Plants attempted to make her sign the note, but she could not because of her wounds, and he then forced her to put a "seal" on it with blood from her arms.

Then, she said, Plants made ready to shoot her but she pleaded with him, telling him she would bleed to death anyway. At that Plants set an alarm clock for 4 a. m. and told her he was going to sleep, and that he would kill her when the alarm sounded.

At that point, she said, one of her boys grabbed the gun, but Plants ordered him to put it down, and made her lie down with the children. A few minutes later she got up and told Plants: "I'm going to shoot you."

Plants told her to "go ahead," but she told him she could not pull the trigger.

Then, she testified, Plants said he wanted a witness to the shooting, and called young Phillips into the room. He said that with a witness to the shooting, Mrs. Caldwell would later be punished for murder.

Plants then put the muzzle of a shotgun against his chest and the butt of the weapon against her stomach, and said:

"If I fall on the stove, pull me off. Good bye. Pull the trigger."

She managed to pull the trigger, and there was a deafening roar which knocked the breath out of her, she testified. She went into the next room, then told Phillips she was afraid Plants would come in after her. The youth went back to look at the fallen man and returned to tell her she need not worry.

After the shooting, she said, she and Phillips dressed the two children warmly and made their way through the deep snow to the home of their nearest neighbor, Lindsay Owens, where they remained until officers arrived after a 10-hour struggle through deep snowdrifts that blocked all roads in that district.

Mrs. Caldwell's story was corroborated by young Phillips on the witness stand.

Corporal H. L. Isban, of the State Motor Police described the officers' efforts to reach the scene, and told what they found in the Caldwell home.

When the jury returned its verdict exonerating Mrs. Caldwell, she quietly left the inquest scene through a side door, a free woman.

MRS. J. VANCE M'NARY

Relatives and friends in this district have received word that Mrs. Katherine Hays McNary, of Tacoma Park, Md., a former resident of Burgettstown, died Thursday, Feb. 22, 1940, in Florida where she and her husband, J. Vance McNary, were spending the winter.

Mrs. McNary was a daughter of the late Rev. William Hays, who was a pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Burgettstown until about 12 years ago, and had resided in the Burgettstown district until her marriage about 35 years ago.

Surviving are her husband; two daughters, Helen and Ruth, and two sons, William and John, all at home.

Funeral services will be held at Tacoma Park, Md., Saturday. Burial will be made there.

BORN

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Paxton, of Chartiers Township, Monday, March 4, 1940, in Washington Hospital, a daughter, Mrs. Paxton was Miss Anna McPeak of Hickory.

BORN

To Mr. and Mrs. James Worstell, Hanlin Station, R. D. 1., March 12, 1940, a daughter, Sarah Ella. Mrs. Worstell is the former Janet Wilson, of Rea.

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SCHOOLS ARE TO REMAIN CLOSED IN MT. PLEASANT

Wind-Whipped Snow Blocks Several Highways, and Retards Work of Clearing Old Drifts From Rural Routes.

MAJOR HIGHWAYS IN COUNTY ARE ALL OPEN

State Highway Department Continues Night and Day Fight to Get All Routes Open for Travel.

Feb 19, 1940
RIVER LEVEL IS FALLING

A new wind-driven snowfall hit Washington County yesterday, drifting closed several highways that had just been dug clear of drifts of last week's record snow.

As a result, schools in at least one district of the County that have been closed since last week's storm struck will remain closed at least another day.

The new snowfall forced highway crews to transfer their equipment to major routes drifted closed by yesterday's storm and consequently retarded the work of opening scores of rural roads that still are impassable as a result of last week's snow.

Authorities announced last night that all schools in Mt. Pleasant Township will remain closed today because of road conditions. They are expected to resume regular sessions tomorrow.

The County unit of the State Highway Department last night reported all major highways in the district are open to travel, but warned that it is imperative for motorists to use tire chains. They pointed out the slushy new snow, falling atop ice and hard-packed snow from last week, has made highways extremely slippery and that a number of cars which have skidded have landed in deep roadside drifts where they stuck fast.

The State Department reported the new storm drifted shut the roads from the "S" bridge to Taylorstown, from Behan to Burnsville and from Taylorstown to Claysville. The last of huge traffic-blocking drifts from last week's snow had just been cleared from the Behan-Burnsville road yesterday morning.

State crews were at work last night on all the major roads drifted closed yesterday, and said that unless a new storm arose all would be open last night or early today.

All but about 25 per cent of the rural roads on the State Highway Department system in the County were opened by yesterday, and the last of them would have been cleared today had it not become necessary yesterday to transfer plows to roads closed by the new storm.

County road crews were striving last night to open the last uncleared sections of the Lone Pine road, which was badly drifted last week. Their work was slowed by new drifts.

Principal James R. Braden announced last night that Trinity High School, closed since last Wednesday, will resume regular classes today.

The slushy new snow made automobile travel extremely difficult in Washington, where it added a slippery new surface to old and deeply rutted snow on many streets. Foot travel also was hazardous.

Yesterday's snow was between three and four inches deep, and quickly turned to slush in most places. The day's total precipitation was equal to .43 inch of rain. Sunday's high temperature was 38 above zero, the low 31 above, and last midnight the mercury stood at 36, but was falling.

Saturday produced a four-below temperature in the early morning

and a 44-above mark for high.

The prediction calls for snow or rain today, with snow flurries and colder Tuesday.

Despite the new snow, Monongahela River and lesser streams in this district were not rising last night.

Snow that at times reached blizzard intensity fell throughout the western section of the State. Roads throughout the section were reported extremely hazardous with low visibility. The Pittsburgh Automobile Club advised against motor travel unless "absolutely necessary."

Heavy trucks were reported sliding off mountain highways near Jennerstown and "tying up" traffic on the Lincoln Highway; numerous automobiles were reported stalled and sliding off hilly roads near Parkers Landing and visibility in the middle of the Alleghenies at Bedford was zero.

Meantime, the State's death list attributable to weather conditions mounted to 16 since the St. Valentine Day blizzard.

Cross Creek

Cross Creek is slowly coming back to normal after being almost isolated since Tuesday night. Practically all side roads are still closed. The main route through the village is open but in places for only one-way traffic.

The Ladies' Aid Society has announced the baked ham supper which was to have been held in the Cross Creek Presbyterian Church, Wednesday night, Feb. 21, has also been postponed indefinitely.

The schools of the village have been closed since Tuesday.

Miss Helen Bonner is spending some time in the home of Miss Bessie Donehoo. Miss Donehoo is slowly recovering from an injured ankle sustained in a recent fall. She now moves around on crutches.

Howard and Robert Vance, bus drivers of Shaler Township, are having a few days vacation at their home near here due to the heavy snow.

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ONE JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP SCHOOL RESUMES CLASSES

Only one school, Tourney, in Jefferson Township, has been able to resume school since the heavy snowstorm swept the district. Supervising Principal A. D. White, reported yesterday while in Washington. He said other schools of the district would resume classes next Monday.

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EROSION CONTROL TO BE DISCUSSED

A. E. Cooper, Extension Specialist of Pennsylvania State College, Will Spend Three Days in County.

SCHEDULE IS ANNOUNCED

Land owners of the county are invited to attend discussions on erosion control scheduled for Feb. 19 and 20.

A. E. Cooper, extension specialist, Pennsylvania State College, will show pictures illustrating methods of saving the soil on hilly lands at three meetings in Washington County next week.

This is a subject of primary importance to most farmers in this territory. Plowing hillsides in contour strips alternated with grass or grain crops will control this loss in most cases, tests have proven.

The schedule of meetings follows:

Monday, Feb. 19, 8 p. m.—Fallowfield School.

Tuesday, Feb. 20, 9:30 a. m.—Trinity High School.

Tuesday, Feb. 20, 8 p. m.—Hickory High School.

WAYNESBURG, Feb. 20—A series of meetings intended to give first hand information to farmers concerning erosion control methods to prevent gullies is planned by County Agent L. F. Engle.

The speaker will be A. E. Cooper, extension agronomist of Pennsylvania State College.

Meetings have been so planned that all farmers of the county may

be able to attend one or more. The schedule follows:

Thursday, February 22, 12 noon, Waynesburg Community Club, Hotel Fort Jackson; 2 p. m. Community Room of First National Bank, Waynesburg. 7:30 p. m. Washington Township. Road Building, Ruff Creek.

Friday, February 23, 1:30 p. m., Woodruff Grange Hall; 7:30 p. m. Whitley Township School Building, Kirby.

"One way to reduce gullying is to farm the land in strips following the contour," claims County Agent Engle. "If the gullies are quite large, other steps may be necessary. Much can be done during fall and winter to close gullies. Gullies are not uncommon on hilly or rolling farmland. Unless precautions are taken to prevent further erosion, the gullies may become so large as to make it impossible to cross them with farm machinery.

FORMER COUNTY FARMER WILL TALK ON EROSION

The problem of soil erosion, which is rapidly coming to the forefront as a recognized serious problem for farmers of Pennsylvania, will be dealt with in a series of Grange meetings in this county within the next few days by John C. Johnson, former Washington County farmer and Grange member.

Mr. Johnson is now with the Soil Conservation Service in York County, working with farmers in a soil conservation district organized under the Pennsylvania State Soil Conservation District Act. In his Washington County talks he will explain how the Soil Conservation Service is working with farmers in areas where the farmers themselves have taken the lead in organizing their own local soil districts to combat erosion.

Mr. Johnson calls attention to the fact that Washington County is the place in Pennsylvania where farmers first recognized their erosion problems and began to work out ways of stopping soil wash.

SOIL CONSERVATION MEET AT ELDERSVILLE

Jefferson Grange is sponsoring a soil conservation and contour farming meeting to be held in the I. O. O. F. Hall at Eldersville Thursday night, Feb. 22, at 8 o'clock.

John Johnston, of Cross Creek, and supervisor from the soil conservation headquarters, will be in charge of the meeting, and motion pictures will be shown.

The public is cordially invited, and the sponsors especially urge farmers of the district to attend.

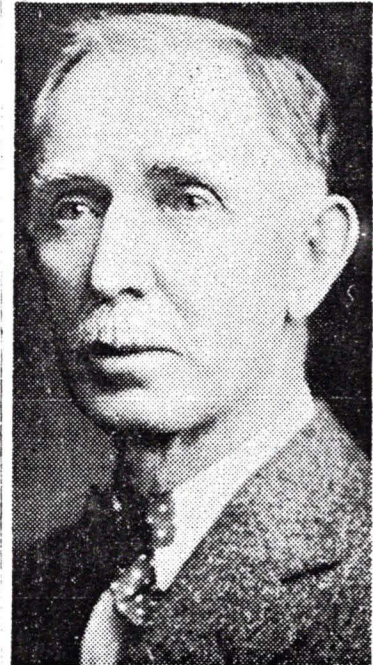
Selects Her Wedding Date

Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Mahon, of Eldersville, announces their youngest daughter, Kathryn, has chosen March 25 as the date for her coming marriage to Gilbert M. Irwin, of Holliday's Cove, W. Va., son of Mrs. Violet Irwin and the late Samuel Irwin, of Bower Hill Road, Woodsville.

The ceremony will take place at a nuptial high mass at 9 o'clock in Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church, Burgettstown, with the Rev. Father W. J. McCashin officiating.

It will be an open church ceremony. Announcement of the attendants will be made later.

CLAIMED BY DEATH



Robert L. Munce, above, one of the most widely known and highly respected citizens of Washington County, died Saturday night at his home in North Strabane Township at the age of 81.

ROBERT L. MUNCE DIES SUDDENLY

Heart Attack Fatal Saturday Night to One of Washington's Most Prominent and Respected Citizens.

2-19-40
FUNERAL TO BE TUESDAY

Robert L. Munce, 81, one of Washington County's most prominent and respected citizens, died Saturday night at 10 o'clock at his home in North Strabane Township, on Route 19 near Chartiers (Hill) Presbyterian Church, of a heart attack. Although his health had been gradually failing, he had been active until two days before his death, when he became bedfast. His condition did not appear to be serious until Saturday morning.

Mr. Munce was a devout churchman, a successful farmer and businessman, and a public spirited citizen who had served in public office and had been an active leader in many affairs for the advancement of education, farming and stock raising, better roads, and human welfare.

R. L. Munce, North Strabane Township; \$4,488.76 in stocks, live stock, farming implements and household furnishings.

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Mr. Munce was born Aug. 8, 1858, on his father's farm three miles east of Washington, a son of the late William James and Elizabeth Miller Munce. His grandparents were Mary Quail and Robert Munce, both natives of Ireland, who came to the United States in 1803, and William J. Munce was one of their eight sons and daughters.

His mother was also a native of Ireland, and resided in South Strabane Township at the time of her marriage.

After attending public schools, Mr. Munce attended Jefferson Academy at Canonsburg and later attended Washington and Jefferson College, a member of the class of 1884.

For the last 50 years he had been a breeder and exhibitor of fine sheep, shorthorn cattle and Chester White hogs, and in recognition of his ability and leadership in those fields he had been elected president of the Pennsylvania Chester White Swine Association and of the Tri-State Wool Growers Association, serving in those offices many years.

Mr. Munce was one of the leaders in organizing the Washington County Agriculture Extension Association, and was instrumental in bringing the first extension agent to the County, continuing active in the Association's work to his death.

For 20 years he served as a member of the Board of Trustees of Pennsylvania State College, retiring from the Board about six years ago.

Mr. Munce served as secretary of Washington County Fair Association for most of its existence.

He was one of the first advocates of good roads in this district, was one of the leaders in constructing the first hard-surfaced highway in Washington County as part of a movement to win public support for road improvement. With several associates, he raised \$1,800 by public subscription and used that amount to construct a "sample" macadam road at the Hill Church. The federal government sent an engineer to supercise the project, and road machinery firms, then in their infancy, furnished the equipment needed free of cost.

Since that time he has been active in Washington County Motor Club, and served for a number of years as a member of its Board of Governors.

Mr. Munce was given high recognition in 1914 when Governor John K. Tener appointed him as a member of a two-man commission to go to Europe and study cooperative banking and farming there. The two visited 14 countries in their tour.

That same year, when County Commissioner John A. Berry died, Mr. Munce was appointed by the Court to serve out his unexpired term in office. He was not a candidate to succeed himself.

For a number of years he had served as a member of the Board of Supervisors of North Strabane Township. He was a lifelong mem-

ber of the Republican Party and keenly interested in its affairs, but aside from running for Supervisor was never a candidate for public office.

Mr. Munce was a member of North Strabane Grange, and was one of the first Masters of Pomona Grange of Washington County.

Always progressive, he was the second resident of North Strabane Township to have a telephone installed in his home, and later was one of the organizers of the Canonsburg Farmers Telephone Company. He served as the firm's president until it was sold to Bell Telephone Company.

He also was the first resident of North Strabane Township to purchase an automobile—in 1908 buying what then was commonly known as a "horseless carriage" which had wagon wheels with narrow rubber tires.

For many years he was a member of Washington Chamber of Commerce, and a number of years ago was roll call chairman of the Red Cross.

Mr. Munce was instrumental in developing the oil, gas and coal fields of the district, and as a broker had leased thousands of acres of coal, for large steel companies.

He also served for a number of years as a director of First National Bank of Canonsburg.

One of the most widely traveled residents of the County, Mr. Munce had with his wife made a trip around the world in 1911, and had visited Europe a number of times. His first trip abroad was made in 1888, when he and his mother visited Ireland. He also had made two transcontinental automobile trips, driving his own car.

For the last 18 years he had been an elder of First Presbyterian Church of Washington, and before transferring his membership there had served as an elder of Chartiers (Hill) Presbyterian Church. He was one of the organizers of the Sunday School at Manifold. His church activities also had included attendance at the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church as representative of the Washington Presbytery.

In 1883 Mr. Munce married Clarinda Eleanor McNary, of Canonsburg, who died Jan. 4, 1927. On Jan. 24, 1931, he married Jessie Weddell of Monongahela, who survives.

Also surviving are one brother, J. Russell Munce, of Pittsburgh and Sarasota, Florida, and one sister, Mrs. Charles H. Smith, of Uniontown.

Because of the condition of roads funeral services will be held in the chapel of First Presbyterian Church of Washington Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The body will be at the home until noon Tuesday, and will lie in state in the church chapel from Tuesday noon until the services are held. The Rev. Dr. Henry C. Rogers, pastor of First Presbyterian Church, and the Rev. W. R. McKim, pastor of Hill Presbyterian Church, will conduct the services. Burial will be in Washington Cemetery.

CHARLES B. WAGNER
Charles B. Wagner, 62, former member of the State Legislature and prominent in politics, died yesterday at his home, 288 Forrest avenue. He had been ailing for several months.

Mr. Wagner was born at Covington, Kentucky, on June 15, 1877. He came to Washington from Detroit, Mich., in 1924. In 1932 he was elected to the House of Representatives as a Democrat, from the First district, Washington County. He served in that capacity until 1935. During his life he was prominently identified with advertising, lecturing and social work. In later years he had been a leader in the local movement of the Townsend Plan.

He is survived by his wife, Arlie Depoe Wagner; two step children, William Amon and Catherine Amon, at home, and four brothers, Alfred, of Columbus; John, of Nevada; Bert, Cincinnati, Ohio, and Leo, of Saginaw, Mich.

Mr. Wagner presented the petition to the Courts last fall, alleging protection of various 'rackets' in the County on the part of the District Attorney's office, and asking for a grand jury investigation, as a result of which Judge Roy P. Hicks, Schuylkill County, was appointed by the State Attorney General to make such investigation, and is now assembling information bearing on the case.

Funeral services will be conducted from the A. Blaine Day Funeral Home Thursday at 2 p. m., in charge of Rev. Charles M. Smith, of the Avery Methodist Church. Burial will be in Washington Cemetery.

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DROUGHT RELIEVED BY FEBRUARY RAIN, SNOW

March 1 1940

Exceeding normal by a wide margin, the month of February produced a total precipitation equal to 4.09 inches of rain, bringing marked relief for rural residents seriously affected by a prolonged drought.

The precipitation exceeded normal for the month by 1.67 inch, and was almost equal to the total rain and snow of the previous four months. The record-breaking St. Valentine Day snow of 18½ inches was equal to approximately two inches of rain.

With frost largely leaving the deeply frozen ground in the last few days, much of the February water has soaked into the soil, and as a result many wells and springs that had been dry for many weeks were revived.

Yesterday's high temperature was 36 above zero in the afternoon, and the low was 31 last midnight.

STEVENSON

UNUSUAL MISHAP KILLS COUNTY MAN

Leroy Stone, of Near Avella,
Dies Instantly as Whirling
Crank Handle at Mirror
Crushes Skull.

FALL ON ICE WAS CAUSE 2-21-1940

Leroy Stone, 19, of Avella R. D. 2, was instantly killed yesterday afternoon in an unusual accident at the Jefferson Coal Company mine about four miles west of Avella.

Deputy Coroner Howard Thompson, of Avella, who investigated, said Stone was working at the tipple of the mine about 2:15 p. m., and was turning a crank to lift a slate chute when he apparently slipped on ice and fell. Stone lost his grip on the handle as he fell, and the crank whirled violently, striking him on the head with the handle.

The terrific blow crushed Stone's skull and caused instant death.

Stone was born November 23, 1920, at Houston, a son of James and Louise Diesel Stone and had resided at Avella R. D. 2, since he was 10 months old. He was not married.

Surviving are his parents, now residing at Avella R. D. 2; his twin brother, Leonard, and another brother, Vernon, both at home.

The body was removed to the Thompson Funeral Home at Avella and today will be taken to the Stone home, where funeral services will be held Friday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock in charge of the Rev. E. C. Crabb, pastor of Avella Presbyterian Church. Burial will be in Oak Springs Cemetery at Canonsburg.

George D. Jackson
.....Eldersville, R. D. 1
Mary Jane McCreight..Eldersville

*Marrid at Eldersville
on February 29, 1940
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DR. ALFRED C. SEVENSON
Dr. Alfred Craig Stevenson, 93, died at his home, Hastings avenue, Oakdale, Friday, Feb. 23, 1940, at 9:15 a. m.

Dr. Stevenson was born at Cross Creek March 3, 1847. He was a practicing physician until his retirement a few years ago at Oakdale where he had resided for 50 years. His wife, Marion Skillinger Stevenson, survives with three sons and one daughter.

Funeral services will be held in the Oakdale Presbyterian Church, Oakdale, this afternoon at 2 o'clock conducted by the Rev. Carl H. White.

ALBERT C. ALRUTZ
Albert C. Alrutz, 39, a member of a well known Washington County family, died in his home at Akron, O., Saturday night at 7 o'clock after a short illness.

A son of the late Fred and Caroline Miller Alrutz, Mr. Alrutz was born at Buffalo Village, Jan. 30, 1901.

In November, 1926, he married Mildred Stewart, who survives, along with a daughter, Betty; two brothers, Fred, of Midway, and Willard, of Pittsburgh, and one sister, Florence, of Cleveland.

Funeral services will be held in the Gardner Funeral Home, Cuyahoga Falls, O., Tuesday at 2 p. m. Burial will be at Akron. **2-26**

SAMUEL T. RITCHEY
Samuel Taggart Ritchey, 83, died in the home of a son, S. Paul Ritchey, of Rea R. D. 1, Thursday at 8:45 a. m. of infirmities incident to his advanced age.

Mr. Ritchey was born in Hope-well Township Nov. 25, 1857, a son of Wallace and Anna Eliza Stewart Ritchey and with the exception of the period, 1905 to 1929, when he operated a grocery store in Jefferson avenue, Washington, had lived all his life in the Rea community, where he followed farming. He was a member of the Grove U. P. Church, West Middletown.

His wife, Mary McMunn Ritchey, died Dec. 29, 1929. Surviving are two sons, Wallace M. Ritchey, of Dormont, and S. Paul Ritchey, of Rea R. D. 1; a brother, W. E. L. Ritchey, of Hollywood, Fla., and three grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held in the home Sunday at 2:30 p. m. in charge of the Rev. Walter Ralston, pastor of the Grove U. P. Church. Burial will be in the church cemetery. **2-23-40**

PUBLIC SALE

The undersigned will offer at Public Sale on the S. A. McCalmont Farm, 1 1/2 miles northwest of Hickory on red-dog road

MARCH 19, 1940, 9:30 A. M.,
the following personal property:

STOCK
Team horses, consisting of black horse weight 1800, 7 years old; sorrel horse, weight 1500, 14 years old; 8 young dairy cows, extra good; 8 heifers, age 2 years to five months; bull, 2 years old; bull calf, 4 months old, extra good stock; 9 shoats; brood sow.

FARM MACHINERY
Royal Blue milking machine with two single units, complete with pipe line and stallcocks, used one year; Deering binder; McCormick hay loader, new; side-delivery hay rake; New Idea manure spreader; two-horse corn planter; grain drill; two-horse cultivator; mowing machine; disc harrow; smoothing harrow; single corn planter; hillside plow; single-shovel plow; two double-shovel plows; 1 wagon with bed and hay ladders; American cream separator; set double work harness; garden cultivator and planter; power wood saw, new; good saddle; stock clippers; other tools found on a farm; some hay, straw, oats and corn. Other articles too numerous to mention.

TERMS: Cash.
M. S. LARGENT,
R. D. 4, McDonald.
C. W. Williams, Auctioneer.
(Lunch served by Hickory Community Ladies' Aid)
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PUBLIC SALE

The undersigned will sell at Public Sale at his farm, located 1 1/2 miles Southwest of Hickory, Pa.,

TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 1940,
At 1:00 O'clock P. M.,

Thirteen head of Cattle, T. B. and Blood Tested; 11 head of Milch Cows and 2 heifers, bred; team of Mares and span of Mule Colts; 2 Brood Sows due to farrow in Mar.; 10 Shoats, weight about 75 pounds; 2 low wheel hay wagons, 5-foot Mowing Machine; 2-unit Surge Milker; Power Washer; 1 large hydraulic Cider Press and many other articles not listed; 200-egg Cyphurs Incubator.

TERMS: Cash.
J. A. DONALDSON,
Hickory, Pa.
C. W. Eck Williams, Auct.
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Jackson-McCreight Wedding

A very pretty wedding took place at the Methodist parsonage, at Eldersville, at 3:45 p. m., Thursday, Feb. 29, in which George D. Jackson, and Miss Mary Jane McCreight, both of the Eldersville community, were united in marriage by the officiating clergyman, the Rev. Charles H. Beck, D. D. They were attended by the sister and brother-in-law of the bridegroom, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph R. Price, also, of Eldersville. They were also accompanied by several members of both families.

After the ceremony, the entire wedding party, and other invited guests, were given a reception and wedding dinner at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Craig McCreight, in Eldersville.

These well known and popular young people will reside in the Jackson home near Eldersville.

MRS. WALTER B LEE

Mrs. Bessie Walker Lee, 55, wife of Walter E. Lee, and daughter of late James Cree and Belle Sutherland Walker, passed away at her home in Eldersville, Saturday, March 2, 1940, at 3:30 p. m. after an illness of two days of pneumonia.

Mrs. Lee was born in Jefferson Township, April 19, 1884, and had lived in the township all her life. She was a member of the Eldersville Methodist Protestant Church and active in all church activities. A member of Jefferson Grange, No. 314, and of the Eastern Star of Burgettstown.

Mrs. Lee leaves her husband; one brother, John S. Walker, of Florence, and Mrs. Jesse W. Dimit, Burgettstown, R. D., and one half-sister, Mrs. Anna Stroud, Hanlin Station.

Funeral services will be held at Eldersville Methodist Protestant Church, Tuesday, March 5, at 2 p. m., conducted by the Rev. Charles Beck. Interment will be in Cross Creek Cemetery.

PUBLIC SALE

I, the undersigned, going to quit farming, will sell at public sale half mile north of Studa on Eldersville block top road.

MONDAY, MARCH 18 at 12 O'CLOCK

The following:

Three head of horses, weight around 1600 lbs.; team 7-8 years old; 9 head of cattle, 5 cows, one fresh, two close spring; 4 head heifers, sow, boar, 2 shoats.

Machinery of all kinds, small tools usually kept on the farm, harness, etc.

Hay and grain, 75 bu. oats, 75 bu. corn, 10 bu. wheat, 10 shocks corn fodder, 65 chickens. Other articles not mentioned. Some furniture, crocks and jars of all kind. Also piano, sewing machine, coal heaters, gas range and gas heaters.

Terms cash.

JOHN FOTOVICH,
Rea. Pa., R. D. 1.

C. W. Williams and Son, Auct.
West Middletown, Pa. 15651-54-57-36

**STATE REQUESTS
REMOVAL OF DAM
NEAR ATLASBURG**

**Effort to Require Carnegie
and Island Creek Coal Com-
panies to Remove Obstruc-
tion Started in Court.**

March 1940

REMOVAL WAS ORDERED

An effort to require the Carnegie Coal Corporation and the Island Creek Coal Company to remove from the channel of Burgett's Fork of Racoon Creek, about one-half mile south of Atlasburg, Smith Township, the concrete pipe and fill constructed there and to require them to restore the channel of the stream to not less than 25 feet wide, is being made by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, through the Water and Power Resources Board of the Department of Forests and Waters.

A bill in equity has been filed by the Commonwealth asking the Court to issue an injunction to require these defendants, together with James E. Hart and David L. Francis, Trustees for the Island Creek Coal Company, to restore the stream bed to its original condition.

Since 1931 the Carnegie Coal Corporation has operated the Atlas Mine, one-half mile south of Atlasburg. The bill in equity sets forth that in the operation of this mine the defendant company constructed a concrete pipe seven feet in diameter in the channel of Burgett's Fork of Racoon Creek and extended a mine refuse dump across the channel with a fill approximately 31 feet high. It is claimed that this pipe and the dump across the creek has created an objectionable obstruction in the stream.

A hearing was held before the Water and Power Board in Harrisburg on November 15, 1938, and the company was ordered to remove the obstruction, but it is stated that it has failed to comply. It is stated that on November 17, 1937, the Carnegie Coal Corporation conveyed its property in Washington and Allegheny County to James E. Hart and David L. Francis, of Huntington, W. Va., in trust for the Island Creek Coal Company.

Howard Byron Sanders, Former Eldersville Man, Is One of Heroes in Vain Attempt to Start Rescue.

OTHER IS STILL ENTOMBED

March 8 1940

A former Eldersville man and a brother of a Washington woman are both believed victims of the explosion in the Willow Grove Coal Mine, near Bellaire, O., on Saturday.

Howard Byron Sanders, 51, a native of Eldersville, was killed by black damp when he rushed into the mine to start rescue work, and Frank Doptis, 36, brother of Mrs. Paul Kelly, of Washington, is one of the men still reported entombed in the blasted mine.

Howard Byron Sanders, outside foreman at the mine, who, with Superintendent John Richards, dashed into the mine in a vain attempt to start rescue work, was born August 23, 1888, in Jefferson Township, near Eldersville. He was a son of the late Byron J. and Margaret Hooker Sanders. He left Eldersville 32 years ago, lived for a number of years in Follansbee, W. Va., where he worked in a steel mill, and lived in St. Clairsville for the last eight or 10 years.

He was a member of the St. Clairsville Presbyterian Church.

He leaves his wife, Mrs. Mary Burris Sanders; three daughters, Mrs. Ruth Verwholt, of Lancaster; Miss Jane Sanders, of Columbus, O., and Miss Letitia Sanders, at home; two brothers, William, of Eldersville, and Edward, of Mansfield, O., and three sisters, Mrs. William Lake, of Mansfield, O., and Miss Lulu Sanders and Mrs. Alfred Krager, of Follansbee, W. Va.

The body has been removed to the Johnston Funeral Home, at St. Clairsville, where funeral services will be held Tuesday, March 19, at 2:30 o'clock. Burial will be at Mt. Pleasant, O.

DR. DAVID WAUGH

Dr. David Waugh, 75, of West Finley, died Sunday, March 17.

Dr. Waugh was a well known veterinarian. He was born August 8, 1864, near Canonsburg, and was a son of Mr. and Mrs. David Waugh, Sr. He lived for the last 50 years at West Finley. He was never married.

Mrs. Elmer Dollars, of Gabby Heights, is a niece.

Friends will be received at the Ralph H. Scott Funeral Home, at Rogersville, until noon Tuesday. Services will be held Tuesday at 2:30 o'clock in the Windy Gap Presbyterian Church, at West Finley, in charge of the Rev. J. Calvin French. Burial will be in the West Finley Cemetery.

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Female!

Gable Called a Girl In Court Record!

Special to The Pittsburgh Press
HOLLYWOOD, March 21—Clark Gable's birth was recorded as that of a "female child" when it was entered in the books of the Probate Court of Harrison County, Ohio.
A recent search for the record showed the mistake, which has since been corrected.
Gable, born to Mr. and Mrs. William Gable on Charleston Street, Cadiz, O., in the section known as "Gimlet Hill," treated the news of the mistake as a huge joke when he was told about it. Dr. J. S. Campbell, widely known in Ohio as the "Cadiz country doctor," was in attendance at the birth, and the child was christened William Clark Gable. How the mistake in the entry was made no one knows.

Louis C. Sebastian.....
..... Jefferson Township
Margaret HalmiAvella

DEEDS
March 7, 1940—A. D. McCarrell, et ux., Mt. Pleasant Township, to Glenn T. Clarke, et ux., Nottingham Township, 115.205 acres in Mt. Pleasant Township; \$1.

Sebastian-Holmi Wedding
In the presence of a few close friends Miss Margaret Holmi, Avella, and Mr. Louis C. Sebastian also of Avella, were united in marriage in the Mt. Pleasant United Presbyterian Church of Hickory by the Rev. R. L. S. Stevenson on Tuesday morning, March 26, 1940.
After a short wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Sebastian will reside in Avella.

April 1940
INTENTIONS TO WED
Walter Zebrasky...Avella R. D. 2
Margaret Monticelli...Rea R. D. 1

MANTIA GIVEN POST ON SOCIAL SECURITY STAFF
1940
HARRISBURG, April 1.—Twenty appointments and seven dismissals were announced today in the personnel connected with the federal social security fund.
The appointments included Joseph M. Mantia, of Washington, former investigator for the County Institution District, at a salary of \$1,860 a year.

MRS. LEUNIS IS MADE MEMBER OF SMITH BOARD

1940
BURGETTSTOWN, March 21.—Mrs. Stella Leunis, Bulger, became the first woman in the history of the organization to be elected to the Smith Township School Board at a recent meeting. She will fill the vacancy created by the resignation of J. E. Stiffler.
At a joint meeting of the Smith Board and the Burgettstown School Board the groups approved the revised bus schedule and revised contract with the Gradison Auto Bus Company.
They also voted to advertise for supplies for both the Smith and Union schools, and to move up paydays for teachers so that they would receive their checks before the Easter vacation. Schools were dismissed for the recess Wednesday and will resume Tuesday morning.

Superintendent Tennyson informed the group that the Union school would receive a bonus of \$500 from the State Department of Public Instruction for conducting a joint home economics department.
The Board approved the suggestion of the Commodities Department of the Department of Public Assistance that surplus apples and raisins be distributed to school children.
Tennyson was instructed to investigate a proposed increase in the facilities of the office of Union high school, and the Board was instructed to advertise for bids for the construction of fences, lights and 1,000 seat capacity bleachers for the new Union athletic field.
The Directors went on record as favoring a dental clinic, as suggested by Dr. A. C. Cross of the Department of Health, if a local civic organization would undertake to raise the needed funds.

W. M. Russell, Mt. Pleasant Township; \$8,803.46 in farming implements, live stock, etc.

William M. Russell, Mt. Pleasant Township; \$7,160 personalty and \$7,200 realty; left to wife and three children; letters issued to his sons, Johnson M. Russell and of McDonald R. D. 4.

W.M. RUSSELL, 88, TAKEN BY DEATH

Prominent Lifelong Resident of Mt. Pleasant Township Dies on Farm Where He Was Born in 1851.

FUNERAL TO BE TUESDAY

March 30, 1940

William Miller Russell, 88, prominent farmer and lifelong resident of Mt. Pleasant Township, died Friday morning at 4 o'clock on the farm where he was born and spent his entire life two miles north of Hickory on the Cherry Valley Road. Although he had been in failing health several months, his condition had not become serious until a week ago. Complications incident to his advanced age caused death.

Mr. Russell, father of County Pomona Grange Master Johnston M. Russell, was born May 1, 1851, a son of the late Andrew and Jane Miller Russell. He was one of 10 sons and daughters, of whom only one, Mrs. Isabelle Brown, of Hickory, survive.

He was engaged in general farming all his life, and specialized in fine livestock. He was always a member of the Republican Party, but never sought public office. Early in life he united with Mt. Pleasant United Presbyterian Church of Hickory, and was a loyal supporter, faithful in attendance as long as his health permitted.

Mr. Russell married Anna M. Agnew, of Chartiers Township, May 26, 1887, and to that union three children were born: Johnston M. Russell now residing in Mt. Pleasant Township; Mrs. Anna Russell Dunlap, of Houston, and Andrew McElroy Russell, who died in infancy. Mrs. Russell died in May of 1899.

In September of 1903, Mr. Russell married Anna Criqueillon of Mt. Pleasant Township, who survives. To that union was born one son, J. Lawrence Russell, who survives, residing in Mt. Pleasant Township.

Also surviving, besides his wife, two sons, one daughter and one sister, are five grandchildren.

Friends will be received at the Russell home in Mt. Pleasant Township until early Monday afternoon, when funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock in Mt. Pleasant United Presbyterian Church at Hickory, in charge of the pastor, the Rev. R. L. Stevenson, assisted by the Rev. C. S. Thomas, pastor of Mt. Prospect Presbyterian Church of Hickory. Burial will be in the Mt. Pleasant Church cemetery.

March 30, 1940

MRS. EDWARD ASHBROOK

Mrs. Edward Ashbrook, 77, well known resident of North Franklin Township, died Monday night, March 25, 1940, about 8:45 o'clock, in her home on the National Pike, west of Washington. Death was due to paralysis, after a long illness.

Mrs. Ashbrook was a daughter of John and Sarah Woodburn, and was born July 2, 1862, in East Finley Township. She was married to Edward Ashbrook on November 27, 1884, and last Thanksgiving Day they celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary. They formerly resided in Washington, moving to their home on the National Highway 32 years ago.

Surviving are her husband, Edward Ashbrook; one son, the Rev. William E. Ashbrook, of Columbus, O.; four grandchildren; and five brothers, G. J. Woodburn, J. S. Woodburn and P. E. Woodburn, all of Claysville; Elmer Woodburn, of Parkersburg, W. Va., and Frank Woodburn, of Arlington, Va., and a number of nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Ashbrook was a member of the First United Presbyterian Church of Washington.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday at 2 o'clock, in the home, in charge of her pastor, the Rev. J. Paul Graham. Burial will be in the Washington Cemetery.

ALBERT LANGENHEIME

Albert Langenheime, 74, died in his home in Mt. Pleasant Township, April 1, 1940, at 5:30 a. m. after an illness of several years of heart trouble.

Mr. Langenheime was born Feb. 11, 1866, near McDonald and had lived in that community until a week ago when he moved to Mt. Pleasant Township.

Surviving are his wife, Nettie Fullmer Langenheimer; a son, Charles, of Youngstown; five daughters, Alberta, of Youngstown; Mrs. Albert Schesler, of Youngstown; Mrs. Earl McCurdy, of Corapolis; Mrs. John Fleming, of Donora, and Mrs. John Mincine, of Clairton; a brother, Abe Langenheime, of Mt. Pleasant Township; 22 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday at 2 p. m. in the home of a stepson, Oliver W. Fullmer, of 8 West Pittsburgh street, Burgettstown, in charge of the Rev. R. C. Sutton. Burial will be in Cross Creek Cemetery.

Alberta Langenheime was buried at Cross Creek in fall of 1975.

**EARL M. FARRAR
TAKEN BY DEATH**

Buffalo Man Who Left W. & J. College to Enlist in Navy During World War Dies Suddenly at Home.

April 2, 1940
FUNERAL ON WEDNESDAY

Earl McKinley Farrar, 43, widely-known World War veteran, died at his home in Buffalo Village last night at 7:30 o'clock after a brief illness.

Mr. Farrar, a son of John and the late Mary Miller Farrar, was born August 19, 1896, at Buffalo and spent his entire life there.

When the United States entered the World War, he was a student at Washington and Jefferson College with the class of 1919, and withdrew to enter the service of his country. He enlisted at Pittsburgh in the U. S. Navy; August 15, 1918, and served until December 12, 1918, when he was honorably discharged. He was trained at the Great Lakes Naval Station at Chicago and the Fourth Naval District at Philadelphia.

He was a member of Edwin Scott Linton Post No. 175, American Legion, of Washington. The post will hold special services tonight at 8 o'clock at the Farrar home.

Early in life, Mr. Farrar united with the Upper Buffalo Presbyterian Church at Buffalo. Before entering Washington High School,

where he starred in baseball, a sport in which he continued active for many years.

He was employed for a number of years in the County Engineering Department and also by the State Highway Department for two years. For the last five years he was employed by the Atlantic Refining Company in Washington.

Surviving, besides his father, are his wife, Fanny Hamilton Farrar; one son, Richard, at home, and one brother, Ralph Farrar.

Funeral services will be held at the Farrar home Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, in charge of the Rev. J. M. Briceland, pastor of Upper Buffalo Presbyterian Church. Burial will be in West Middletown Cemetery

**ATKINSON M. SELLERS
IS CALLED BY DEATH**

1940
WAYNESBURG, March 31—Atkinson M. Sellers, 80, died at his home near Deer Lick, Saturday, March 30.

He was a son of George and Nancy Rogers Sellers and was born at Rogersville, October 15, 1859. He was a well known farmer and stock raiser and a member of the West Union Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Sellers was married in 1882 his bride being Salome Dunn, who survives. After his marriage they moved to Ottawa, Kansas, where they resided until 1900, when they returned to Greene County.

Besides his wife, he leaves one son, James, at home, and three daughters, Gail, wife of Elias R. Fettke, of Pittsburgh, Bethel, wife of G. C. Roush, of North Lima, O., and Frances, wife of Robert Loughman, of Dunns Station. Also surviving are one brother, Cephas C. Sellers, and one sister, Mrs. J. L. Reese, both of Rogersville.

Friends will be received at the Hoge & Garrison Funeral Home until noon Monday, April 1, when the body will be removed to the West Union Presbyterian Church. Friends will be received there until 2:30 o'clock, when services will be held in charge of his pastor, the Rev. David R. Bluhm, assisted by the Rev. J. Calvin French. Burial will be in the West Union Cemetery.

JOHN A. CAMPBELL

John A. Campbell, 86, died Tuesday, April 9, 1940, in the home of a daughter, Mrs. Belle Hopkins, of East Carnegie, with whom he had resided for the past 10 years.

A son of Arthur M. and Margaret Gardner Campbell, Mr. Campbell was born near Eldersville Aug. 24, 1854. His wife, Hannah Cummins Campbell, of Cross Creek, whom he married June 4, 1878, is deceased.

Sudviving are seven children. Mrs. Hopkins, in whose home he died; Mrs. Edith Peckins, of Yates Center, Kan.; Mrs. Annie White, of Woodrow; Mrs. Rachel Tuttle, of Clinton; Miss Pansey E. Campbell, of Pittsburgh; A. Cummins Campbell, of Washington, and L. Hayes Campbell, of Midway; two sisters, Mrs. Mary Fisher, of Pittsburgh, and Mrs. Linna Davis, of New Philadelphia, O., and a brother, Joe Campbell, of Eldersville.

Funeral arrangements have not been completed.

J. A. CAMPBELL FUNERAL

Funeral services for John A. Campbell will be held this evening at 8 o'clock at the H. G. Henney Funeral Home, 524 Washington avenue, Carnegie. Further services will be held Friday in the Cross Creek Presbyterian Church at 2:30 o'clock, with burial in Cross Creek Cemetery.

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April 30, 1940

Irwin-McMahon Wedding

The marriage of Miss Kathryn McMahon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. J. McMahon, Eldersville, to Gilbert Irwin, son of Mrs. Violet Irwin and the late Samuel Irwin of Bower Hill Road, Woodville was solemnized Easter Monday morning, March 25, at 9 o'clock in Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church in Burgettstown. The ceremony, attended by a large number of friends and relatives, was performed by Rev. W. J. McCashin before an altar banked with lilies and gladioli. The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore the traditional white satin. Her gown was made with a sweet-heart neckline and short puffed sleeves and a very full skirt. She wore a finger-tip veil and carried a bouquet consisting of gardenias, sweet peas and lilies of the valley. Miss Helen McMahon, only sister of the bride, as maid of honor wore a pink chiffon gown with a shoulder length pink veil. She carried pink tulips. Miss June Rose Jaloski, Bairdford, cousin of the bride and Mrs. John Trax of Bridgeville, sister of the bridegroom, as bridesmaids, wore blue chiffon with matching hats and also carried pink tulips. The girls all wore elbow-length mitts to match their gowns. Richard Flood, of Jefferson Medical School in Philadelphia, a cousin of the bridegroom was best man. Ushers were Raymond Mussell, of Carnegia, cousin of the bridegroom and George and Pete McMahon, of Eldersville, brother of the bride. Following the ceremony, a wedding breakfast was held at the bride's home, covers being laid for 54 guests. The bride's mother appeared in a dusty pink dress with blue accessories and wore a corsage of gardenias. The bridegroom's mother appeared in a navy blue dress with matching accessories and also wore a corsage of gardenias. The maternal grandmother of both the bride and bridegroom were also in attendance. They both appeared in dark print dresses with black accessories and wore corsages of gardenias. Mr. and Mrs. Irwin will be at home in Hollidays Cove, W. Va., after the first of June. The bride is a graduate of Union High School, Burgettstown, class of 1937. Mr. Irwin is a graduate of Langeley High School, Crafton, in the class of 1934, is employed in the Weirton Steel Mills at Weirton, W. Va.

April 1940

INTENTIONS TO WED

- Edward P. Miller, Jr. Woodrow
- Marie Burns Washington
- Valentine Zebrasky
- Jefferson Township
- Margaret Markovich Avella

Mike Benesh, Jefferson Township; \$1,368.17 in cash received from State Workman's Insurance Fund.

MRS. D. W. TEMPLETON
 Sarah Martha Templeton, 76, widow of D. W. Templeton, died at her home in Linden at noon yesterday after an illness of six weeks. She had been in poor health for the past two years.

Born in Nottingham Township May 24, 1863, she had lived in that general district all her life. She was the daughter of David and Nancy McClure. Her sister, Mrs. J. H. Hixon, died only a few weeks ago. The only direct survivor is a brother, Wheeler McClure, of Nottingham Township, although a number of nieces and nephews also survive.

Mrs. Templeton was a member of the Mt. Prospect U. P. Church and a former member of North Strabane Grange and the Fidelity Circle. Mrs. Templeton served as correspondent for The Observer for many years in the Linden district.

Mrs. Templeton had been cared for during her recent illness by a niece, Mrs. A. D. McClure, of Canonsburg, living with the latter until about a week ago when she was taken to her own home.

The body will remain at the Hinton Funeral Home, Canonsburg, until 1 o'clock today, when it will be taken to the home. Funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock Thursday, April 4, at the home, in charge of her pastor, the Rev. Carl J. Kissling, of the Mt. Prospect United Presbyterian Church. Burial will be in the Oak Spring Cemetery.

4-30-40

CENTENNIAL YEAR



F. B. McKinley, Washington jeweler, today is celebrating the 100th anniversary of the business which was established by his father, Alexander McKinley, in 1840, in a little frame building which stood where the George Washington Hotel now stands. Mr. F. B. McKinley took over the business April 1, 1886. The business is believed to be the oldest in Pennsylvania remaining in the same family and conducted by just two members of that family.

TO SELL TIMBER April 1940

The Court has granted the petition of the Secretary of Banking, Receiver in charge of the First Bank & Trust Company, to sell the timber of the Cunningham farm, in Jefferson Township, to the Sims Lumber Company at private sale for \$150. This farm contains 98 acres and was purchased from the bank at a Sheriff's sale on May 3, 1926. It is in a remote section of Jefferson Township, and about one-third is grown up in second growth timber and underbrush. The petition sets forth that the bank has been unable to obtain a tenant for a number of years; that the buildings have fallen into disrepair and are almost completely removed by vandals. The Pittsburgh vein of coal is not sold, but the bank has been unable to find a purchaser in spite of the fact that it has advertised to sell it at \$1,200. The property has yielded no income for a number of years. It is estimated that the timber is worth about \$10 per thousand on the stump, and about 5,000 six-foot mine props worth about one cent each.

DOGS ARE QUARANTINED IN HICKORY DISTRICT
1940

HICKORY, April 8.—A number of dogs in the Hickory district were placed under quarantine today by a State dog law enforcement officer after a stray dog that was shot here Sunday was found to have been afflicted with rabies.

The officer quarantined several dogs known to have come into contact with the rabid animal, and said he would return tomorrow to quarantine others.

The rabid dog, an unlicensed stray hound, was shot Sunday afternoon by Louis Alrutz, of near Hickory, after it had been seen attempting to bite the wheels of passing automobiles. Dr. E. H. White, veterinary, made an examination that determined the animal had been rabid.

One dog that had been in contact with the stray was shot today.

MRS. JAMES RAY

Mrs. Ellen Dick Ray, 51, wife of James Ray, of Clarksville, died at 8:05 o'clock Friday night, April 19, 1940, in the Greene County Memorial Hospital, at Waynesburg following an operation.

Mrs. Ray, a daughter of the late John and Christina Dick, was born March 23, 1889, near Noblestown. She had lived at Clarksville for 12 years.

Surviving, besides are her husband, six children, George, Robert, Elizabeth, Christina, Jessie and Lois, all of Clarksville; one brother, John Dick, of Bentleyville and five sisters, Mrs. Agnes Robison, and Mrs. Margaret Proudfit, of Burgettstown; Mrs. Elizabeth Williams, of Webster, and Mrs. James Sofsky, and Miss Jessie Dick, of Bentleyville.

Funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock Monday, April 22, at the home of her son, George, in Clarksville. Burial will be in the Monongahela Cemetery.

MRS. FRANK P. ROHR

Mrs. Katherine Rohr, 83, widow of Frank P. Rohr, died in her home at Avella Friday morning at 4:55 o'clock, April 19, 1940, after a long illness.

Mrs. Rohr, a native of Austria-Hungary, had resided in the United States the last 57 years and had made her home in Avella since 1905. She was a member of St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church at Avella.

Surviving are four daughters, Mrs. David Vicheck, Mrs. Anna Havko and Mrs. Clara Kumer, all of Avella, and Mrs. Max Sapple, of Pittsburgh; three sons, Eli Rohr, of Beaver, and Charles and Stephen Rohr, both of Avella; 42 grandchildren, and 37 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held in St. Michael's Church at Avella with requiem high mass Monday at 9 a. m., in charge of the Rev. F. J. Mansmann. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Honored on Birthday

Mr. and Mrs. Orlan Miller, Hickory, R. D. entertained at a chicken dinner in honor of Mrs. Miller's father, John Bates on his 75th birthday. Mr. Bates was presented with a large birthday cake decorated with 76 candles. The evening was spent in games and conversation. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Bedillion and children Ruth, Wilma, Warren and Glenn Bedillion, Henry Cole, Howard Bates, Jr., Bobby, Betty and John Bates.

EVERETT P. COLE

Everett P. Cole, 69, died at his home in Cherry Valley, Saturday afternoon at 12:25 o'clock, April 13, 1940, following a stroke suffered April 8.

Mr. Cole was born May 25, 1870, in Greene County and had resided in Smith Township, Washington County, the last 15 years. For eight years he had served as a member of the Board of Supervisors of Smith Township. He devoted most of his life to farming, and was a member of Pursley Baptist Church.

Surviving are his wife, Sarah A. Rush Cole; four sons, Clemon, of Midway; James P., at home; Henry E., of Claysville, R. D., and Leslie A., of Hickory; two daughters, Miss Alta May Cole, Washington, and Mrs. Myrtle Kelk, of Detroit, Mich.; three brothers, Benjamin Cole, of Pine Bank; Simon Cole, in Texas, and William Cole, of Waynesburg; and one sister, Mrs. Ellen Roach, of Washington, R. D.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home in charge of the Rev. R. C. Sutton, of Burgettstown. Burial will be in Robinson Run Cemetery at Sturgeon.

Miller-Burns Wedding

Miss Marie Burns, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest H. Burns, 984 Jefferson avenue, was married Friday night at the home of her parents, to Edward Parkinson Miller, Jr., Woodrow. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Arthur R. Armstrong, pastor of Third United Presbyterian Church, before an improvised altar of palms and ferns. The wedding music was played by Mrs. Robert A. French, a sister of the bride.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore an ensemble of black and white, and a corsage of red roses and lilies of the valley.

Miss Martha Burns was her sister's only attendant. She wore a gown of navy blue with white accessories and a corsage of red roses and lilies of the valley.

William Irwin, Monongahela, served as best man for Mr. Miller.

A reception was held following the ceremony for members of the immediate families.

Mr. and Mrs. Miller will be at home at 410 East End avenue, Beaver, upon their return from a wedding trip.

The bride is a graduate of the Mr. Miller is associated with the Madison Frederic School, Pittsburg. Jones and Laughlin Steel Corporation, Allquippa.

MISS MARY ETTA CAMPBELL

Miss Mary Etta Campbell, 70, died Tuesday, April 23, at 4 a. m., at the home of her brother-in-law, John Carns, on the Burgettstown-Hickory road.

Miss Campbell was born July 20, 1869, in Mt. Pleasant Township. She was a daughter of the late John P. and Jane Eliza Rankin Campbell, and spent most of her life in Mt. Pleasant Township.

Surviving are three nieces and two nephews, three brothers-in-law and one sister-in-law.

Funeral services will be held in the John Carns home, Thursday, April 25, at 2 o'clock, in charge of the Rev. R. E. Kaufmann, of West Alexander. Burial will be in the Mt. Prospect Cemetery, at Hickory.

JOHN JACOB KAISER

John Jacob Kaiser, 59, died at his home on Pittsburgh street, Burgettstown, Tuesday, April 23, 1940, at 10:45 a. m., after an illness of several months.

Mr. Kaiser was born in Germany, Aug. 7, 1880, and came to the United States about 38 years ago. The last 32 years of his life was spent in Burgettstown, where he was in the bakery business. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church.

Surviving are his wife, Hettie Leopold Kaiser; four children, Mrs. Clayton Poe, of Burgettstown; Mrs. Fred Liggett, of West Middletown; Mrs. Leroy Janz, of Marianna, and John Kaiser, at home.

Funeral services will be held Friday, April 26, at 2 o'clock, in the home, in charge of the Rev. R. E. Carmen. Burial will be in the Presbyterian Cemetery at Burgettstown.

FREDERICK KLAGES

Funeral services were held at Lilyville, near Ellwood City, yesterday for Frederick Klages, 77, former resident of Washington County, whose death occurred Tuesday, April 23, at 12:25 p. m., after a lingering illness due to a complication of diseases.

Born in Hanover, Germany, Feb. 24, 1863, Mr. Klages came to the United States as a young man. For a period he resided near McConnells Mills and was widely known as a dairyman. In 1887, he married Mary S. Weigmann, of Pattersons Mill, near Avella. He was an active member of the St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Lilyville.

Mrs. Klages survives with one daughter, Mrs. Russell Crumrine, of Washington, and two sons, Walter H. and Harry L. Klages, of Ellwood City. He leaves six grandchildren.

Funeral services yesterday were conducted by his pastor, the Rev. William Mitchell. Burial was at Lilyville.

Mary Etta Campbell, Smith Township; \$9,830.13 cash in the bank.

April 1940

Undergoes Operation

Mrs. Bertha Barnes, well known school teacher of Eldersville, is in the Washington Hospital, where she underwent a serious operation.

This wedding took place on Friday April 12, 1940

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MRS. W. ELROY RANKIN

Mrs. Ella Jane Manson Rankin, 73, widow of W. Elroy Rankin, died in her home in Hickory Thursday afternoon, January 12, 1939, at 3 o'clock, after an illness of six months duration.

Mrs. Rankin was a daughter of the late James and Eleanor Manson, and was born October 18, 1865, in Mt. Pleasant Township. She had spent her entire life in that community, where she was a faithful and active member of Mt. Pleasant United Presbyterian Church and its Bible School and Missionary Society. Her marriage with W. Elroy Rankin, who died in 1923, was solemnized October 16, 1895.

Surviving are one son, Raymond Rankin, of Hickory; and three brothers, James Lyle Manson, of New Springfield, O.; R. Pressley Manson and J. Buchanan Manson, both of Hickory.

The body will be taken to Mt. Pleasant United Presbyterian Church at Hickory Saturday at 1 o'clock and will lie in state there for an hour. Funeral services will be held in the church at 2 p. m. Saturday with the Rev. C. S. Thomas in charge. Burial will be in Mt. Prospect Cemetery.

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JOSEPH M. CARLISLE

Joseph Martin Carlisle, 85, Hickory, one of Washington County's progressive farmers and well known and respected resident of Mt. Pleasant Township, died yesterday at 2 a. m. in Washington Hospital. Mr. Carlisle had been in the hospital since January 25. His death was due to pneumonia following an operation last Friday.

The son of John and Eliza Carlisle, Mr. Carlisle was born in Mt. Pleasant Township, August 15, 1855. He spent his entire life in the township with the exception of 10 years, when he lived in Smith Township. He was a progressive farmer and took an interest in all community and County affairs. He was held in high esteem by his neighbors and had represented them on the school board and as road supervisor for many years. He was a member of the Mt. Prospect Presbyterian Church and Sunday School, and in politics he was a Democrat.

Mr. Carlisle was married to Angelina McGugin, whose death occurred August 2, 1937.

He leaves five children, Walter, Dr. Milton, Elmer, Clifford and Miss Flora Carlisle, all of Hickory; one brother, Milton Carlisle, New Concord, Ohio, and seven grandchildren.

Friends will be received at the late home until 1:30 o'clock Friday afternoon, when the body will be taken to Mt. Prospect Presbyterian Church where funeral services will be held at 2:30 o'clock in charge of the Rev. C. S. Thomas, pastor of the church. Burial will be in Mt. Prospect Cemetery.

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MRS. A. M. MOORE

Funeral services were held for Mrs. Margaret Moore, wife of A. M. Moore, from her home in East Canton, O., Nov. 22, 1940, at 2:30 p. m. with the pastor of the Salem Church officiating. She died suddenly Nov. 20, 1940, of a stroke after a few hours illness. Burial was at Minerva, O.

Mrs. Moore was born near Hickory in 1869, a daughter of Carson and Mary Moore, alone. In 1900 she was married to A. M. Moore and to this union was born one daughter, Mary, who preceded her mother in death by 21 months.

Surviving besides her husband, are one step-daughter, Mrs. John Kinemond of Canton, O.; one brother, Milton Malone of Hickory; four half-brothers, Vance, William and Earl Malone of Burgettstown, and Norman Malone of Canton, O.; three half sisters, Mrs. Louella Moore of Akron, O., Mrs. Jennie Fisher and Mrs. Agnes Marsh of Bavington.

Attendants from this area at the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. William R. Malone, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Finney, Mrs. Margaret Malone, Mrs. Melle Bristle, Mrs. S. G. Malone, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Malone, Mrs. Lee Martin, Miss Ethel Malone, of Burgettstown; Milton Malone, Mrs. Donald McCalmont, Mrs. D. F. Miller, Mrs. S. O. Scott and Mr. and Mrs. J. Y. Dinsmore of Hickory.

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WILLIAM JOHN COLLAR

William John Collar, who would have been 60 years old on Thursday, died in the Canonsburg General Hospital yesterday at 12:47 a. m. Although ill a long time, Mr. Collar became seriously ill three weeks ago and was confined to the hospital two weeks.

He was born in South Wales, January 30, 1881, the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Collar. He resided in Canonsburg for 30 years before moving to the Hickory section about three years ago. He was formerly employed at the old Canonsburg Steel and Iron Works. He was a member of the Cross Roads U. P. Church.

He is survived by his wife, Elsie Estep Collar, and the following children: John Howard, Hickory, R. D. 1; Charles Louis, Washington, R. D. 1; Mrs. Alfred Anderson, Washington, R. D. 5; two brothers, Samuel Collar, McKees Rocks and Charles B. Collar, Outlook, Wash.; and three sisters, Frank, Robert and Edwin, all of Pittsburgh, and one sister, Mrs. Samuel Cook, Wind Ridge, R. D. 1. He leaves four grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Thursday at 2 p. m. from the Hinton Funeral Home, in charge of Rev. J. Walter Irwin, pastor of Cross Roads U. P. Church. Burial will be in Oak Spring Cemetery.

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MRS. JOHN P. WHITE, SR.

Mrs. Mary Miller White, 71, widow of John P. White, Sr., died in her home near Hickory Friday morning at 8 o'clock, March 3, 1939. Mrs. White had been an invalid for the last 12 years and six weeks ago fractured her hip in a fall in her home. Death was due to a paralytic stroke suffered Monday of this week.

Mrs. White was a daughter of the late John H. and Elizabeth McCalmont Miller and was born in Mt. Pleasant Township September 9, 1867. After receiving her elementary education in the schools of the township, she was graduated from Edinboro Normal School in 1891. For several years thereafter she taught school in this district. On August 16, 1900, she was united in marriage with John P. White, Sr., who died in May of 1934.

Mrs. White was a member of Mt. Pleasant Presbyterian Church at Hickory and took an active part in all church work as long as her health permitted.

Surviving are five sons and daughters, Dr. Edward H. White and Clare M. White, both of Hickory R. D.; the Rev. Rowland H. White, pastor of the Church of the Mountain at Delaware Water Gap; Miss Elizabeth White, at home, and John P. White, Jr., of Line Lexington. Also surviving are two step-children, J. Thompson White and Miss Mary E. White, both of Hickory R. D.; 10 grandchildren, and one brother, S. Edwin Miller, of McDonald R. D. 4.

Funeral services will be held Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in Mt. Prospect Presbyterian Church at Hickory with the pastor, the Rev. C. F. Thomas, in charge. The body will be taken to the church one hour before the services. Burial will be in Mt. Prospect Cemetery.

JOSEPH WITTMAN

Joseph Wittman, 74, died in his home in Hickory, at 11 o'clock Tuesday night, May 30, 1939, following a long illness.

Mr. Wittman was born in Germany, where he learned the shoemaking trade. At the age of 21 he came to the United States, settling in Hickory, where he worked at his trade in the Joseph Hemphill shoe shop. Later Mr. Wittman purchased the shoe store of his employer.

There are no close relatives in this country.

He was a member of the Trinity Lutheran Church, near Hickory, and held numerous offices in the church.

The body may be viewed at the Vernon Moore home in Hickory from Thursday afternoon until Friday at 10 a. m. Funeral services will be held at 10:30 o'clock Friday morning in the Trinity Lutheran Church, in charge of the Rev. F. S. Eberle, of Canonsburg. Burial will be in the Mt. Prospect Cemetery.

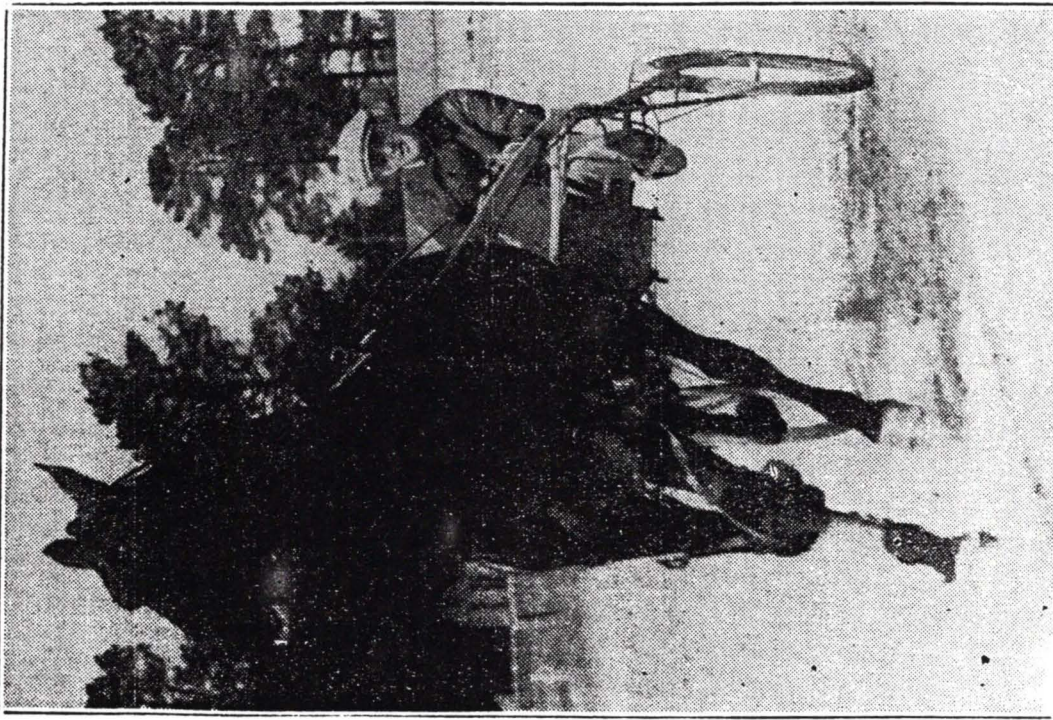
Delvin Miller Busy These Days at Pinehurst Track

PINEHURST, N. C., April 9—Delvin Miller, who went out of Avella, Washington County, Pennsylvania, to become one of the best known young reinsmen in the harness racing business, is busy these days at Pinehurst, preparing for the approaching campaign.

The youthful trainer-driver for the 26-horse string of M. N. Haines York, Pa., shoe manufacturer, recently acquired the nickname "Foxy" when friends heard Dr. H. M. Parshall, the nation's leading race winning driver for a decade, say,

"Miller is the foxiest driver I have ever competed against when the money is up."

Miller predicts a clean sweep with Luther Hanover, a son of Calumet Chuck, in the six Penn-Jersey Circuit points and has beaten 2:20 in training here. Miller was circuit champion driver in 1939.



'FOXEY' MILLER AT PINEHURST—Leaning around the turn in winter training at Pinehurst, N. C., is Luther Hanover, an entrant in all the \$400 two-year-old paces in the Penn-Jersey Circuit, owned by Mahlon N. Haines, York, Pa., and driven by 26-year-old Delvin (Foxy) Miller, formerly of Avella, Pa.

FORMER HICKORY MAN DIES AT COATESVILLE

HICKORY, May 3. — Word has been received here that Dr. William H. Emery, formerly of Hickory, died at Coatesville May 3, 1940. He was a son of the late E. G. and Martha Emery. Funeral services will be held Sunday at Coatesville.

I. EDMUND DONALDSON
I. Edmund Donaldson, 68, a native of Washington County, died at his home in Pataskala, O., Wednesday night, April 24, 1940, of a heart ailment after a three-month illness.

Mr. Donaldson was a son of Jacob M. and Mary Elizabeth Donaldson, and was a member of the Mt. Prospect Church. He had resided in Columbus, O., and vicinity the last 30 years.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Alice Donaldson; three sons, Edwin, of Akron, O., Raymond, of Columbus, O., and Harold, of Newark, O.; one daughter, Mrs. J. Walter Barnes, Jr., of Uniontown; seven grandchildren; one sister, Mrs. J. A. McClure, wife of Dr. J. A. McClure, of Columbus, O., and four brothers, John P. Donaldson, of Washington, Dr. J. C. Donaldson, of East Palestine, O., R. L. Donaldson, of Columbus, O., and P. J. Donaldson, of Cambridge City, Ind.

Funeral services were held Saturday at Columbus in charge of the Rev. Marshall L. Scott, pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Columbus, of which Mr. Donaldson was a member, assisted by Dr. J. Walter Barnes, of Washington. Burial was in Glen Rest Memorial Park, Columbus, O.

See Scrapbook # 30 Page 35 for account of death of Mrs. Ed. Donaldson

A. L. HANLIN

L. Hanlin, 75, a native of Washington County and a member one of its pioneer families, died 8:45 o'clock Wednesday morning, April 24, 1940, in his home at Colliers, W. Va. For several months he had suffered from a heart ailment.

Mr. Hanlin, a son of Burnett and Sarah Fink Hanlin, was born in January, 1865, at Hanlin Station. He was one of a family of 10 children. July 2, 1891, he married Anna Snyder, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Snyder, of Colliers, W. Va. Early in life he learned telegraphy, and for 48 years he was telegraph operator for the Pennsylvania Railroad, working at Hanlin Station, Dinsmore, Bulger and Colliers. He retired February 1, 1933.

Surviving, besides his wife, are four children, Floyd D. Hanlin, of Colliers; Mrs. Arthur Daley, of Columbus, O.; Mrs. Daniel Bradley, of Carnegie, and Harold Hanlin, of Colliers, four grandchildren, and the following brothers and sisters: Mrs. S. Lizzie Fulton, of Hanlin Station; F. F. Hanlin, of Rea, R. D.; Grant Hanlin, of San Francisco, and Mrs. Lillie H. Hunter, of near Buffalo.

Friends will be received at the McClave Funeral Home, Steubenville, O., until noon Friday. Private funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon. Burial will be at the Chestnut Ridge Cemetery, near the old Tucker Methodist Church, on Route 22.

Hammond-Cassidy Wedding

The marriage of Miss Mariann Cassidy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Cassidy of Washington, to Earl Hammond, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hammond, 1180 Allison avenue, Washington, was performed May 14, 1940 at the home of the bridegroom's parents. The Rev. M. J. Hughes, pastor of Immaculate Conception Church, officiated at the ceremony at which 40 guests were present. The bride who was given in marriage by her father, wore an aqua marine dress with white accessories and carried a bouquet of white roses and sweet peas. Miss Emma Rusbasan, maid of honor, wore a yellow street dress, with white accessories and a corsage of white roses and sweet peas. Mrs. P. Edward LeVan, sister of the bride, Miss Norma Jean Hammond sister of the bridegroom and Miss Evelyn Arthur were bride's maids. All wore informal dresses with white accessories and corsages of rose buds and sweet peas. William Egan was best man and John Cassidy, brother of the bride, James Hammond, brother of the bridegroom, and Roy Phillips served as ushers. The wedding march was played by Paul G. Seyler. A reception was held after the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Hammond will reside at 287 Dewey avenue, Washington.

MRS. SAMUEL B. WHITE

Mrs. Jennie Margaret White, 59, widow of Samuel B. White, died in the home of her son, Rea White, of Cross Creek Township, Tuesday night, May 14, 1940, at 6:45 o'clock after an illness of one week.

Mrs. White, a daughter of William and Emma Neely Holmes, was born April 21, 1881, in Cross Creek Township and spent her entire life in that district.

Surviving are her son, Rea, with whom she resided; two brothers, Robert and Joseph, of Rea, and two sisters, Mrs. Charles Sims, of Washington, and Mrs. N. W. Fowler, of Rea.

Funeral services will be held Friday, May 17, at 2:30 p. m. in the late home in charge of the Rev. W. E. Ferrell, pastor of the West Middletown Christian church, of which she was a member. Burial will be in West Middletown Cemetery.

Kinskey-Bell Marriage

Miss Dorothy L. Bell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Bell of Locust avenue, and Glenn Kinskey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kinskey of Washington R. D. 1, were united in marriage Monday night at 7:30 o'clock, April 29, in the home of the Rev. W. M. Kennedy, pastor of First Baptist Church, who officiated. The single ring ceremony was used. Attendants were J. Wilbur Alexander, cousin of the bride, and Miss Cora Bell Kinskey, sister of the bridegroom. The bride was attractively attired in pale blue and wore a corsage of talisman roses, and her attendant wore dusty rose with a corsage of roses. Following the ceremony, a wedding luncheon was served by the bride's mother at her home for the wedding party and a number of relatives and friends, after which Mr. and Mrs. Kinskey left on an automobile trip to Canada. Upon their return, the young couple will reside for the present at the home of the bridegroom's parents. Mr. Kinskey is engaged in business with his father at Charlie's Service Station.

MRS. JOHN ANDERSON

Sarissa Magill Anderson, 90, widow of John Anderson, died at her home, 575 Allison avenue, Washington, Tuesday, May 14, 1940, at 10 p. m. Mrs. Anderson had not been in good health for the last five years.

Mrs. Anderson was born near Cross Creek Village, where she spent her early lifetime before moving to Washington. She was a loyal member of Fourth Presbyterian Church, of Washington, and active in the Ladies' Aid and Missionary Societies. She was the last of a family of twelve.

The following children survive: Laura Anderson Lee, Burgettstown, R. D., Georgia Anderson Kamp, Crafton, William Magill Anderson, Honolulu, and John (Jack) Anderson, at home.

Funeral arrangements have not been completed.

Deer Lick

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Loughman, of Dunns Station, R. D., are visiting the latter's mother, Mrs. A. M. Sellers, and brother, James D. Seller. Mrs. Loughman, who was taken suddenly ill of heart trouble, while with her mother, is still confined to her bed, but is slightly improved.

Mrs. C. R. Fettke has returned to her home at Pittsburgh after two days with her mother, Mrs. A. M. Sellers, and brother, James Sellers.

Deer Lick 1940

Mrs. Robert Loughman, who was ill at the home of her mother, Mrs. A. M. Sellers, has recovered sufficiently to return to her home near Dunns Station.

50TH ANNIVERSARY

Cross Creek Grange will celebrate the 50th anniversary of its founding with a program to be held May 31 at Reawood Hall on Route 28, west of Hickory. Speakers will be State Master Kensey Bagshaw and State Chaplain, the Rev. Ross M. Haverfield. will present Silver Star Certificates to 20 members who have completed 25 years of continuous grange membership. All Grange members and their friends are invited to attend this anniversary.

Joseph Huber, of Cross Creek village, entered a plea of nolle contendere to a charge of permitting an intoxicated person to drive his car. He explained that on August 25, 1939, he was intoxicated himself and let Frank Testa drive, but he declared that he did not know the latter was drunk. Testa entered a plea of guilty and was sentenced some time ago. Huber was paroled to pay the costs and pay a fine of \$100. He must also sell his automobile.

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Willard Wilson Welch ... Hickory
Helen L. Inglefield ... Burgettstown

August P. Tranquill, Avella R. D. 2,
Mary Zick, ... Avella.

John G. Tompan, ... Avella
Virginia Malick, ... Rea R. D. 1
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Henderson Retains Title as Champion of Sheep Shearers

May 11, 1940

J. Raymond Henderson, Hickory, retained his title as champion machine sheep shearer of Pennsylvania yesterday in the competition conducted at Dawson. He will represent the State at the national championships in Chicago next September.

After winning the district title, Henderson met Quincy Tait, of Mercer and Thomas Coleman, of Indiana, in the main event.

Washington County carried off the principal honors of the day, James Hamilton, Washington, R. D., being the winner in the hand shearing contest. C. M. Hamilton, Canonsburg, was second in this event; Allison Hufford, Dunns Station, R. D., third; Tom Wood, Fayette City, fourth. Others competing and the order in which they finished follow: William Wood, Fayette City; Harvey Proctor, West Middletown; Oren Eddy, Pine Bank, and S. A. Davidson, Hickory.

Henderson, in the machine con-

test, was given the keenest competition by Oren Eddy, Pine Bank, who finished second. Others competing and the order in which they finished follow: James Hamilton, Washington, R. D.; Delbert Calvert Spraggs; Oscar Chalfant, Blacks-ville, and Edison Hoy, Spraggs.

Control of parasites by drenching, dipping and dusting was discussed and W. B. Connell, sheep extension specialist, presented motion pictures on sheep management.

E. S. Bayard, editor of the Pennsylvania Farmer, discussed conditions and told of the special advantages enjoyed by the district in the raising of livestock.

Some "nibbles" for district wool at 30 cents a pound were reported but the belief prevailed that world market conditions and consumption and supply in the United States pointed to higher prices later.

Prominent Buffalo Woman Passes Away in Her Chair

Mrs. Bessie Kerr Caldwell, 59, wife of A. M. Caldwell, died suddenly at 4:45 o'clock Sunday afternoon, June 2, 1940, in her home in Buffalo Village. She had apparently been in her usual health and had been in Washington on Saturday, but yesterday she passed away suddenly as she sat in her chair.

Mrs. Caldwell, oldest daughter of Henry White and Margaret Kerr Leech, was born January 15, 1881, in Blaine Township, Washington County. Early in life she moved with her parents to Buffalo Village, where she resided for the rest of her life, except for a few years during which she lived at Finleyville.

In her youth she joined the North Buffalo United Presbyterian Church, and upon her marriage to A. M. Caldwell on March 7, 1906,

she transferred her membership to the Upper Buffalo Presbyterian Church. For a number of years she was a teacher of the Younger Men's Bible Class and she maintained an active interest in all church and community affairs. At the time of her death she was president of the Mary Shaw Missionary Society.

While residing at Finleyville, Mrs. Caldwell was a past noble grand of Philetha Rebekah Lodge, membership in which she still retained at her death.

Surviving are her husband, Alber Mason Caldwell. She was the last member of her immediate family, her father and mother and two younger sisters being deceased.

Funeral services, in charge of her pastor, the Rev. J. M. Brice-land, and the Rev. W. W. Willis, will be held Tuesday at 2:30 o'clock, in the home. Burial will be in the Upper Buffalo Cemetery.

Szonye-Amos Wedding

The marriage of Miss Mary Elizabeth Amos, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Amos, South Ruple avenue, to Stephen Szonye Jr., Detroit, Mich., son of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Szonye, Avella, took place Thursday morning in the home of the Rev. John W. Love, pastor of First Christian Church. The ceremony was performed at 11 o'clock by the Rev. Mr. Love.

The bride wore a navy blue ensemble with white accessories and a corsage of American Beauty roses and lilies of the valley.

Miss Jean Webster, the bride's only attendant, wore an ensemble of blue with navy blue and white accessories and a corsage of yellow tea roses and white sweet peas.

Joseph Halmi Jr., Avella, served as best man for Mr. Szonye.

Following the ceremony, a dinner for members of the bridal party was held at George Washington Hotel. In the afternoon, a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Szonye will live in Detroit, Mich., upon their return from a short trip to Canada. Mr. Szonye is with the Ford Motor Company.

Among the guests at the reception were Mr. and Mrs. Szonye, Avella; Mrs. H. C. Porter, Mr. and Mrs. James Porter and son, Nelson; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Porter, Toledo, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fodor and son, Bobby, McKeesport; Mr. and Mrs. Alex Beres and son, Alex, Wellsburg, W. Va.

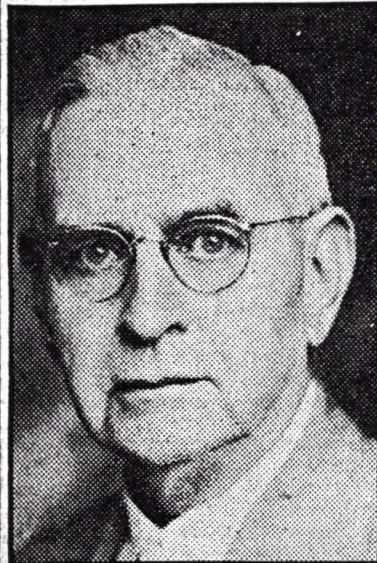
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Return From Chicago

Miss Virginia Cox, Washington, and Miss Elva Cox, Pittsburgh, have returned from a motor trip to Chicago, Ill. They also visited Ray Wheeler, who is stationed at Aviation Technical School, Rantoul, Ill. Mr. Wheeler, who was grad-

uated from Washington High School in June, 1939, joined the Aviation Corps last October. He was first stationed at Langley Field, Virginia, then transferred to Scott Field, Illinois, and later to Chanute Field at Rantoul.

VETERAN DIES



William B. Ritchie, widely-known undertaker of Washington and veteran of the Spanish-American War and Philippine Insurrection, died suddenly in his home, 300 East Wheeling street, last night about 10:45 o'clock.

W. B. RITCHIE IS CALLED BY DEATH

Widely Known Spanish-American War Veteran and Undertaker Dies Suddenly in His Home Here.

50-YEAR W. & J. ALUMNUS

William Bowland Ritchie, 70, an undertaker in this city since 1898 and a widely known veteran of the Spanish-American War and Philippine Insurrection campaign, died Friday night, May 24, 1940 about 10:45 o'clock, in his home, 300 East Wheeling street.

A heart attack caused his death, although he had not been well for some time. He was at his office yesterday and went home last evening apparently in his usual health.

Mr. Ritchie, a son of Andrew Scott and Jane McFadden Ritchie, was born July 13, 1869, in Washington.

He was graduated from Washington & Jefferson College in 1890 and this year was to have celebrated with his class the 50th anniversary of their graduation. He was a member of Phi Kappa Sigma Fraternity and was alumni adviser of the W. & J. chapter until a few years ago.

From 1890 to 1898 he was in the banking business, being connected with the First National Bank and on February 10, 1898, he bought out the undertaking business of T. M. Wiley & Son.

During his service in the Spanish-American War and the Philippine Insurrection, he served as a second lieutenant, in Company H of the "Fighting Tenth" Regiment, with some distinction. He was mustered into the service on May 11, 1898, and, with the company was mustered out August 27, 1899.

He was prominent all his life in Masonic affairs, being a life member of Washington Lodge No. 164, and a member of Washington Royal Arch Chapter No. 150, Washing-

ton Council No. 1, Jacques De Molay Commandry No. 3, and Gorgius Lodge of Perfection in Pittsburgh.

Surviving are his wife, Claudine Mullin Ritchie; four children, Charles M., of Flint, Mich.; Mrs. Esther Irwin, of Red Bank, N. J.; Miss Florence H. Ritchie, at home, and William B. Ritchie, Jr., of Washington, and one sister, Mrs. Annie R. Murphy, of Washington.

He was a member of the First Methodist Church.

Friends will be received at the home, 300 East Wheeling street, where funeral services will be held Monday, May 27, at 3 o'clock, in charge of the Rev. John S. Allison. Burial will be in the Washington Cemetery.

Celebrate Crystal Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Murzy, of Penowa, celebrated their crystal wedding anniversary, Sunday, May 26. A large dinner was served and refreshments were served later in the evening. They received many useful and beautiful gifts. Among those attending were as follows: Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Seibel, Burgettstown; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rotunda and daughter, Joanne, Steubenville; Mrs. Mary Zick and family, Joseph Olenick, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rotunda and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Alphonse Dorisio and family, all of Penowa, and Tom Lazzaro, Avella.

MRS. MARY VALOSIO

Mrs. Mary Valosio, 53, of Rea, R. D. 1, widow of Joseph Valosio, died at her home Thursday night at 7:10 o'clock, June 6, 1940, after a two-year illness. She was a native of Italy.

Surviving are two sons, Charles, of Pittsburgh, and Robert, of Washington, D. C.; two daughters, Mrs. Stella Baronick, of Langeloth, and Violet, at home; one brother, Charles Bruner, of Avella, and one sister, Mrs. Lucy Siletto, of Pittsburgh.

Funeral services are to be held at the Valosio home Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Burial will be in West Point Cemetery, at Avella.

DAVID C. MILLER

David C. Miller, 81, prominent Mt. Pleasant Township farmer, died suddenly of a heart ailment at his home on the Burgettstown-Hickory road Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock, June 6, 1940.

Mr. Miller was born at Sparta March 9, 1859, a son of the late Edward P. and Mary Kinney Miller, and had farmed in Mt. Pleasant Township the last 50 years. He was still actively engaged in farming a small tract at the time of his death. His wife, Sarah Vogle Miller, died in 1923.

Mr. Miller for a number of years had served as a school director of Mt. Pleasant Township. He was a member of Mt. Prospect Presbyterian Church at Hickory.

Surviving are the following sons and daughters: Mrs. Bessie J. Caldwell and David F. Miller, both of Hickory; William B. Miller, Hickory, R. D. 1; Mrs. Elizabeth Close and Mrs. Esther Wilson, both of Burgettstown; Mrs. Margaret Lydick, of Cross Creek; Mrs. Leila Booth, Valley Park, Mo.; Everett and Robert Miller, both of Wrightsville, and Miss Florence Miller, at home. Also surviving are one brother, B. F. Miler, of West Middletown, and 12 grandchildren.

Friends will be received at the home until Sunday afternoon when funeral services will be held at 2:30 o'clock in Mt. Prospect Presbyterian Church in charge of the Rev. C. S. Thomas. The body will lie in state in the church for one hour before the services. Burial will be in the Mt. Prospect Cemetery.

June 8, 1940

THOMAS A. MCCREIGHT

Funeral services for Thomas A. McCreight, 76, prominent Hanover Township farmer who died in Washington Hospital Thursday night of injuries sustained when a wagon he was driving was struck by a truck near Florence, are to be held Sunday night at 7:30 o'clock at the home of his sister, Mrs. R. P. Gardner, Burgettstown, R. D. 1. The body will be at the Lee and Wilson Funeral Home in Burgettstown until 5 p. m., when it will be taken to the home of Mrs. Gardner. Burial will be made Monday in the McCreight burial ground at Reynoldsville.

Mr. McCreight was born in Jefferson County April 3, 1864, and had resided in Hanover Township the last 56 years. He was a member of the Paris United Presbyterian Church. His wife died about four years ago.

Surviving are four sons, Clarence, Lester and Dewey, all of Burgettstown, and Craig, of Eldersville; two daughters, Mrs. Alice Rennie, Burgettstown, R. D. 1, and Mrs. Stella McCracken, Burgettstown, R. D. 2; one sister, Mrs. Gardner, Burgettstown; 10 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

David C. Miller, Mt. Pleasant Township; \$40,830.35 in mortgages, judgments, and notes due the estate, life insurance, and balances due on articles of agreement.

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Korpus-Whitco Wedding

Miss Mary Whitco, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Whitco of Avella, and Charles Korpus, son of Mrs. Charles Korpus, Sr., of Penowa, were united in marriage, Saturday morning, May 4, 1940 at the St. Michael's Greek Catholic Church of Canonsburg, with the Rev. Kasper officiating. The bride was attired for the ceremony in a gown of white lace with a long tulle veil, and carried a bouquet of white gardenias. Her maid of honor, Miss Irmas Korpus, sister of the bridegroom, wore a gown of blue taffeta, and a shoulder corsage of red rose buds. Her bridesmaids, who were attired in pastel shades and wore shoulder corsages of red rose buds were Miss Margaret Haverlack, Miss Rose Subansky, Miss Ann Mariani, Miss Helen Whitco, all of Avella, and Miss Mary Almasi, of Cleveland, Ohio. The bridegroom's best man was John Whitco of Avella, cousin of the bride. Ushers were Pete Rotundo, Mike Kopo, and John Rocco, all of Penowa, Theodore Gularsky, of Weirton, W. Va., John Pollock of Cleveland, Ohio. Immediately after the ceremony a dinner was served at the home of the bride, and the reception was held at Rotunda's Hall of Penowa. The young couple will make their home with the bride's parents.

MISS BARBARA ANN MYERS

Miss Barbara Ann Myers, 23, of Hickory R. D., died suddenly Monday night at 7 o'clock, June 10, 1940, in Cresson Sanitarium after a long illness.

Miss Myers was a daughter of Thomas B. and Katherine Kerns Myers, and was born in Washington, Sept. 14, 1915. She had spent most of her life in Mt. Pleasant Township. After graduating from Mt. Pleasant Township Vocational High School at Hickory, Miss Myers was graduated from the Junior College of Washington Seminary in 1936 and from the Secretarial School of the Seminary in 1938. She was a member of Mt. Pleasant United Presbyterian Church of Hickory, and was an active worker in the Romaine Russell Mission Circle of the church.

Surviving are her parents; two sisters, Margaret and Virginia, and one brother, Thomas, all at home.

Funeral services will be held in the home Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock in charge of the Rev. R. L. Stevenson, pastor of Mt. Pleasant United Presbyterian Church. Burial will be in Washington Cemetery.

Engagement Announced

Mrs. John H. McDowell and daughter, Mrs. Melvin Davis, entertained at an afternoon bridge party at the McDowell home in Hickory announcing the engagement of Miss Katherine McDowell, teacher in Cecil Township schools, to Paul Winningham, of Uhrichsville, O. The wedding will be an early fall event. Guests were present from Washington, Hickory, McDonald, Houston, Canonsburg, Dormont, Clairton, Claysville and Uhrichsville, O. Prizes were awarded to Miss Alverda Scott, Mrs. Vaughn Crile, Miss Anna Lyle and Mrs. James Yates, Jr. The following were present: Mrs. Ralph Davis, Mrs. Vaughn Crile, Mrs. Lou Rorsythe, Miss Bessie M. Ghrint, Mrs. Alan McPeak, Mrs. Walter McPeak, Mrs. Betty Wilshaw, Miss Judy Wilshaw, Washington; Mrs. Henry Sheaff, Mrs. Eugene Hodgson, Miss Alice McDowell, Miss Ethel Sheldon, Mrs. Jack Lewis, Mrs. Robert Bell, Canonsburg; Miss Alverda Scott, Miss Anna Lyle, Mrs. Kenneth Sherwood, Mrs. Ross McCracken, Mrs. J. R. McDowell, Jr., Mrs. Robert Brown, Peggy Davis, Mrs. James A. McPeak, Hickory; Elmer Winningham, Uhrichsville, O.; Mrs. Richard Thomas, Oakdale; Mrs. James Yates, Jr., Clairton; Mrs. William Edgar, Claysville; Miss Edith Kendrick, Dormont; Miss Margaret Yureina and Mrs. David Littell, Venice.

MRS. BERTHA BARNES IS AT HOME OF HER SISTER

May 1940

Mrs. Bertha Barnes, school teacher of Eldersville, who underwent a serious operation in the Washington Hospital has recovered sufficiently to be removed to the home of her sister Mrs. Orpha Morrow, Gabby Heights.

June 13, 1940

MRS. LENA DALLMEYER

Mrs. Lena Dellmeyer, 79, died at her home at Cross Creek at 10:40 p. m. Tuesday from illness due to her advanced age.

Mrs. Dollmeyer was born in Pittsburgh on April 19, 1861. She had resided in Cross Creek for the past 35 years and was a member of the Cross Creek Presbyterian Church.

She is survived by her husband, Gottlieb Dallmeyer; one son, William, Crystal, Mich., one sister, Mrs. C. H. Gass, Pittsburgh and six grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted in the Cross Creek Presbyterian Church Friday at 2 p. m. in charge of Rev. Douglas Vance. Burial will be in Cross Creek Cemetery.

PARTITION SOUGHT

A bill in equity for the partition of three tracts of land in Mount Pleasant Township has been filed by Elden N. Ahrens, of Mt. Pleasant Township, and Clifford A. Ahrens, of Weirton, W. Va., plaintiffs, against Grover L. Ahrens and Ina Ahrens Jeffrey, of Mount Pleasant Township. The land in question consists of three tracts containing 43 acres and 59 perches, 27 acres and 128 perches and 60 acres, which was owned by Henry Ahrens, father of the plaintiffs and defendants, who died June 16, 1924. They ask that a master be appointed to make partition of this real estate.

TO SELL TIMBER *April 1940*

The Court has granted the petition of the Secretary of Banking, Receiver in charge of the First Bank & Trust Company, to sell the timber of the Cunningham farm, in Jefferson Township, to the Sims Lumber Company at private sale for \$150. This farm contains 98 acres and was purchased from the bank at a Sheriff's sale on May 3, 1926. It is in a remote section of Jefferson Township, and about one-third is grown up in second growth timber and underbrush. The petition sets forth that the bank has been unable to obtain a tenant for a number of years; that the buildings have fallen into disrepair and are almost completely removed by vandals. The Pittsburgh vein of coal is not sold, but the bank has been unable to find a purchaser in spite of the fact that it has advertised to sell it at \$1,200. The property has yielded no income for a number of years. It is estimated that the timber is worth about \$10 per thousand on the stump, and about 5,000 six-foot mine props worth about one cent each.

ANNIE CAMPBELL WHITE

Annie Campbell White, widow of Henry G. White, died at her home at Woodrow, May 28, 1940, at 7 a. m.

Mrs. White was born March 28, 1869, near Cross Creek, the daughter of the late John A., and Hannah Cummins Campbell.

She is survived by her husband, two children, Sylvester C. White and Martha J. White, at home; and the following brothers and sisters: L. Hayes Campbell, Midway, Mrs. Rachael Tuttle, Clinton; Mrs. Belle Hopkins, Carnegie; Mrs. Edith Peckins, Yates Center, Kan.; Miss Pansy E. Campbell, of Pittsburgh, and A. Cummins Campbell of Washington.

Funeral services will be held at the late home Friday, May 31, 1940 at 2 p. m., in charge of the Rev. D. S. Vance, of the Cross Creek Presbyterian Church. Burial will be in the West Middletown Cemetery.

Dying of Heart Attack, Prominent Farmer Drives off Road and Stops

John M. Knox, well-known resident of Buffalo Township, died about 10 o'clock Saturday night, May 25, 1940, on the eve of his 78th birthday.

Mr. Knox's body was found Sunday morning in his car, near the Cleland School, about half a mile west of his home. Apparently he had suffered a heart attack, and in his illness driven off the road and stopped the car before he died.

He was a son of the late William Knox and Wilhelmina Meloy Knox, and was born May 26, 1862, in Buffalo Township. He spent his life

as a farmer. He was never married.

Surviving are six brothers and sisters, Mrs. Margaret J. Caldwell, of Cross Creek Township; Mrs. Anna E. Lorimer and Thomas E. Knox, of Buffalo Township; Mrs. Minnie Ellwood and R. W. Knox, of Washington, and Nettie Knox, who resided with him on the home farm.

He was a member of North Buffalo United Presbyterian Church.

Funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock Tuesday, May 28, in the home, in charge of the Rev. M. D. Maxwell, of Buffalo Village. Burial will be in the North Buffalo Cemetery.

IS GRADUATING



MISS RETZER

Among the 98 Westminster College Seniors to receive degrees Monday, June 10, at the college's 86th commencement, is Miss Evelyn Retzer, Hickory. A major in social science, Miss Retzer is a member of Sigma Kappa Sorority, the Women's Athletic Association, and the College Y. W. C. A. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Retzer, Hickory.

ARE GRADUATING AT WESTMINSTER

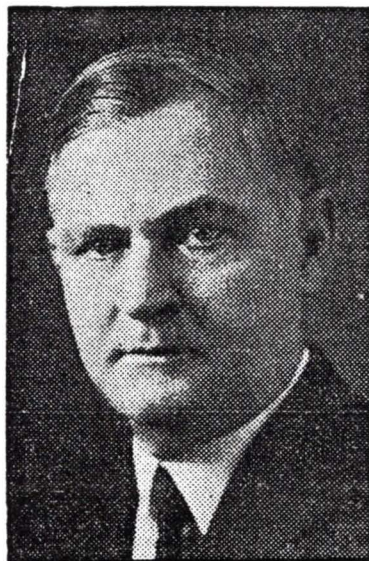


Among the 98 Seniors in this year's Westminster College graduating class are seven Washington County students. They are, top row, left to right—Alice Jane McClelland, Canonsburg; Mary Campsey, Claysville, and Marie Love, Bulger. Bottom row—William Proudfit, Burgettstown; Margaret Greer, Canonsburg; Leona Miller, Washington, and Ray Smiley, Bulger. Also graduating but not shown above is Miss Evelyn Retzer, of Hickory.

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John L. Stewart Dies Suddenly at His Home

DIES SUDDENLY



John L. Stewart, a Washington resident since the turn of the century, and as well known for his sympathy for and participation in every welfare enterprise of the community as for his work as publisher of The Observer and The Reporter, died suddenly yesterday at his home in Redstone Lane.

Publisher of The Observer and The Reporter Succumbs to Heart Attack.

May 31, 1940
HAD BEEN ILL 10 DAYS

John Leighton Stewart, 63, president of the Observer Publishing Company, publisher of The Observer and The Reporter, died suddenly at 7:30 a. m., yesterday at his home, Redstone Lane.

Confined to his home for the past ten days on orders of his physician to rest, he was stricken with a heart ailment about 5:30 a. m. and failed to rally. Physicians said death was due to coronary thrombosis.

A community leader in public affairs for almost 40 years, Mr. Stewart had been identified with many public welfare enterprises. He had been president of Washington County Chapter, American Red Cross; chairman of the Community Chest campaign and in recent years chairman of the Advance

Committee; president of the Washington Chamber of Commerce, Washington Rotary Club, chairman of the Board of Trustees of Washington Seminary and president of the Board of Trustees

of Washington Hospital. He had been chairman of the Hospital Board for 15 years.

His life was closely linked with Washington & Jefferson College, where he was graduated in 1899. He was a member of the College Board of Trustees and recently served as local chairman of the South Campus campaign of the College. He sponsored an annual competition for student essays on public affairs, inaugurating the awards last year. He was to have received an honorary degree of Doctor of Humane Letters at the W. & J. commencement exercises on June 8.

He was likewise a leader in the profession of journalism, not only locally but earning a national reputation for his devotion to the principles of the Fourth Estate. He promoted and organized the Pennsylvania Newspaper Publishers Association and served as its first president from 1925 to 1927. As a member of the American Newspaper Publishers Association, he was chairman of the conference for small city dailies at the national convention in 1936, 1937, 1938 and 1939 and was selected as honorary chairman for this year. He was also an active member of the American Society of Editors. One week ago yesterday he was signally honored by the Pennsylvania Newspaper Publishers Association as having written one of the best editorials of the year in Pennsylvania.

Politically he was a member of the Republican party. He had served as delegate to the National Republican Convention and was elected in the last primary to represent the 25th Congressional District at the convention to be held later this year in Philadelphia.

He was chairman of the local sponsoring group for the Southwestern District of the Pennsylvania Conference on Social Work, which will meet here June 13.

Mr. Stewart was born August 12, 1876, at Bakerstown, Allegheny County, a son of the Rev. William Grove Stewart and Mary Jane Wright Stewart. He was educated in the public schools of Beaver and Fayette counties and was graduated from Redstone Academy, Uniontown, in 1894.

He then taught school for a year and a half before enrolling at Washington & Jefferson College, where he received his A. B. degree in 1899.

Mr. Stewart acted as correspondent for Pittsburgh and other metropolitan newspapers during his college course and for one year after graduation. He also was a reporter for The Observer during that time.

He then attended Harvard Law School at Cambridge, Mass., for two years, before returning to the field of journalism.

In July, 1902, he purchased The Observer and organized the Observer Publishing Company, becoming manager and editor and a minority stockholder. Six months later he effected the purchase of The Reporter and became editor and manager of both newspapers. On July 1, 1912, he purchased a controlling interest of the Observer Publishing Company and was soon afterwards elected president of the firm.

He was identified with several other newspapers in the Tri-State District. In 1911 he purchased the Beaver Daily Times, which he sold in 1930. In 1919 he purchased the Washington Daily News and merged it with The Observer and The Reporter. In 1921 he purchased the Beaver Falls Tribune and the New Brighton Valley Daily News, which he consolidated into the Beaver Falls News-Tribune. He still held these interests at the time of his death. He purchased the Morgantown (W. Va.) New Dominion in August, 1928, and sold it January 1, 1930. He purchased the Canonsburg Daily Notes in 1930 and sold it in 1935.

For several years he had been a director of the Citizens National Bank.

He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church.

On April 20, 1904, he married Margaretta Murdoch Donnan, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Alvan Donnan, of Washington, who survives. He also leaves one

daughter, Lucy, wife of Cecil P. Northrop, Alexandria, Va.; two brothers, the Rev. Gilbert W. Stewart, Mandan, North Dakota, and Lawrence R. Stewart, South Wade avenue; one sister, Mrs. Edward D. Townsend, Pittsburgh; and two grandsons, John L. Stewart Northrop and William Bellinger Northrop.

Funeral services will be held from the late home Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Burial will be in Washington Cemetery.

CLAIMED BY DEATH



Col. James E. Barnett, above, former State Treasurer and former commander of the 10th Pennsylvania Infantry, died at his home here last night at the age of 83 years after a two-year illness. Serving in the Philippines during the Spanish-American War and the Filipino Insurrection, Col. Barnett succeeded Col. A. L. Hawkins in command of the "Fighting Tenth" Regiment when Col. Hawkins was stricken by his final illness.

COL. J. E. BARNETT TAKEN BY DEATH

Former State Treasurer Who
Commanded 10th Regiment
During Part of Service in
Philippines Dies Here.

June 11, 1940

FUNERAL ON WEDNESDAY

Col. James E. Barnett, 83, former State Treasurer and commander of the 10th Pennsylvania Infantry during the latter part of its service in the Philippine Islands, died here last night at 9 o'clock in his home, 342 East Beau street, after a two-year illness.

Col. Barnett had been confined to his home since suffering a stroke two years ago, and his condition had been critical since last Saturday when he suffered a second stroke.

Born in Indiana County, August 1, 1856, he was a son of the late Martha Elder Barnett and the Rev. Dr. John M. Barnett, whose families had settled in Dauphin County about 1770. After graduation from Elder's Ridge Academy in Indiana County, he attended Washington and Jefferson College and was graduated with the class of 1882. For the next few years

he served as clerk to the Washington County Commissioners and as deputy prothonotary of the County, and later studied law at Columbia Law School. He had engaged in the practice of law since that time, maintaining his office during the latter part of his life in Pittsburgh, and had been active in his profession until his final illness.

In 1895 he was appointed Deputy Secretary of the Commonwealth, and served in that position two years, resigning in 1897. Two years later, he was nominated by the Republican Party for State Treasurer and in the following election won the office by a margin of more than 100,000 votes. He served one term as State Treasurer.

Col. Barnett enlisted as a private in Company H, 10th Regiment Infantry, National Guard of Pennsylvania, in 1884 and rose to the rank of lieutenant colonel. He volunteered in that capacity with the Regiment for the Spanish-American War. When the Regiment reached San Francisco on its way to the Philippines, Col. Barnett was assigned to return here for recruits, and he commanded them on their trip to the Philippines. He served in all the Filipino Insurrection engagements of the Regiment.

When Col. A. L. Hawkins was appointed commander of the District of Cavite in the Philippines after the Insurrection was quelled, Col. Barnett was placed in command of the Regiment April 15, 1899, and when Col. Hawkins was stricken by his final illness the following month Col. Barnett was put in command of the District of Cavite, at the same time retaining command of the Regiment. The famous "Fighting Tenth" returned home under his command in 1899.

In 1900 he was named Colonel of the reorganized 10th Regiment and continued in that position until 1907, when he resigned.

Col. Barnett died less than three weeks after the deaths of two officers of old Company H of Washington who served under him in the Philippines, First Lieutenant Blaine Aiken and Second Lieutenant William B. Ritchie, both of Washington.

During the World War, the training camp for Company H of the 110th Regiment on Thornycroft hill south of Washington was named Camp Barnett in his honor.

Col. Barnett organized the Borough of East Washington and was its first burgess, serving three terms. During the World War he was chairman of the County branch of the Public Defense Committee, and also organized companies of volunteer police at Washington, Canonsburg, Donora, Charverol, Monongahela, Bentleyville, Ellsworth, Burgettstown and McDonald.

Rain Fell 20 Days in June; Half Year Is Above Average

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Rain fell here during 20 of June's 30 days, sending the month's total well above the average of 4.73 to the fourth highest mark in the last 24 years, it was shown last midnight by a survey of the records of the local pump station of Citizens Water Company.

June's rainfall totaled 5.69 inches, 1.96 above average for the month.

The half-year completed last midnight also was well above average for the last 24 years. From January 1 through June 30 this year, a total of 24.78 inches of precipitation was recorded here, 5.89 inches more than the 18.89-inch average for that period. Only in 1937, when the total stood at 25.87 inches, has the rainfall record for the first six months of this year been exceeded.

In five of the last six years, precipitation here has totaled more than 20 inches for the first six

months, whereas the same part of only five of the previous 18 years had reached the 20-inch mark.

Substantial rain fell 15 days in June this year, while on five more "traces" were recorded.

The two big reservoirs of the local water company are more than 95 per cent full today, and still rising.

The U. S. Weather Bureau predicted more showers for this district today and tomorrow.

LIVE WIRE ELECTROCUTES TWO MEN NEAR JOHNSTOWN

JOHNSTOWN, June 30.—(AP)—Oscar Eller, 40, a telephone lineman, was killed when wind blew a high tension wire over a telephone line he was repairing. The live wire ignited Miller's home and he was electrocuted as he tried to cut it.

PASSES AWAY



Dr. W. A. LaRoss, who was serving his fourth term as Burgess of McDonald, died at his home there yesterday after an illness of two years. He had long been active in civic and public affairs of McDonald and the County.

DR. W. A. LAROSS, M'DONALD, DIES

Prominent County Physician
Was Serving His Fourth
Term as Chief Burgess of
Panhandle Borough.

ILL FOR PAST TWO YEARS

—1940

MCDONALD, June 16.—Dr. William Asher LaRoss, Burgess of this municipality and for many years one of its outstanding citizens, died this morning at 3:05 o'clock at his home, 118 West Lincoln avenue, after an illness of two years.

Dr. LaRoss was the youngest son of William and Elizabeth Hess LaRoss, and was born on a farm in Lehigh County, this state, now a part of Allentown.

After completing the public schools, Dr. LaRoss attended Muhlenberg College and graduated from the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania in 1891. He began the practice of medicine in McDonald immediately afterward.

Dr. LaRoss was united in marriage Sept. 18, 1895, with Miss Rosina Moorhead, a daughter of

the late Mr. and Mrs. William B. Moorhead, of McDonald. Mrs. LaRoss died May 10, 1919. On Aug. 29, 1927, he was united in marriage with Miss Laura Adams, Dormont, who survives.

Dr. LaRoss built up a large practice during the years of his active life. Always civic-minded, he took a keen interest in the affairs of his home town, the state, and the nation. He served on the McDonald Health Board and as a member of the borough council, being honored with the presidency by his associates. He was serving his fourth term as Chief Burgess at the time of his death. He served the state as Washington County Medical Director by appointment of the Governor during the last administration.

He was a member of The American Medical Association, The Pennsylvania State Medical Society, and the Washington County Medical Society, of which at one time he served as president.

When the United States entered the World War in 1917, Dr. LaRoss was appointed medical member of Washington County Board No. 5. Selective Service, and afterward enlisted in the United States Medical Corps, returning home from Fort Oglethorpe with the commission of Captain. He was a charter member of Ernest Phillips Post, American Legion.

In 1903 he became a member of Garfield Lodge No. 604, Free and Accepted Masons, and was affiliated with Darius Chapter No. 294, R. A. C., Pittsburgh Council, Syria Shrine, Pittsburgh Commandary No. 1, Knights Templar, and Consistory Gorgas Lodge of Perfection.

There survive besides the wife, a son, William A. LaRoss, of McDonald, and two daughters, Margaret, the wife of Leonard M. Sandston, of Mt. Lebanon, and Rosina E., wife of Dr. Mathison J. Montgomery, of Pitcairn. One daughter, Miriam, died at the age of three. All four are children of the first marriage. Dr. LaRoss is also survived by one brother, Milton LaRoss, and two sisters, Mrs. Alice Marsteller, and Arline, the wife of Dr. M. S. Koch, all of Allentown. Mrs. W. G. Cook, of McDonald, is a niece.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, daylight time, in the family home in charge of the Rev. S. A. McCollam, D. D., pastor of the First United Presbyterian Church of McDonald, of which Dr. LaRoss was a member, and by the Rev. O. E. Gardner, D. D., pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of McDonald. Burial will be in the family plot in Robinson Run Cemetery.

DAVID HUBER

David Huber, 81, retired farmer of Cross Creek, died in the Washington Hospital Tuesday, June 18, 1940, at 2:30 p. m., after an illness of 15 months. He had been a patient in the hospital for one week.

Mr. Huber, a member of the Cross Creek Presbyterian Church, was born in Cross Creek, June 5, 1859, and spent his entire life in that community.

Surviving are his wife, Adelia Ann Huber; four sons, George B. and Joseph, both of Cross Creek; Phillip F., of Crafton, and David W., of Langeloth; one brother, John, of California, and two sisters, Margaret and Anna Huber, of Ingram.

Funeral services will be held at the late home Thursday, June 20, at 2:30 p. m., in charge of the Rev. Vance, pastor of the Cross Creek Presbyterian Church. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

6-20 MISS GYNX LIGGETT 40

Miss Gynx Liggett, of West Middletown, died at the Washington Hospital Tuesday evening following an operation.

A daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Liggett, she was born near West Middletown, Dec. 8, 1897. She united with the Grove U. P. Church a number of years ago.

Besides the parents, Miss Liggett leaves the following: Miss Minnie, a sister, and Davy Lee a nephew, at home, and four brothers: Perry and Ted Liggett, West Middletown; Vance Liggett, Independence and Quint Liggett, Sewal, Ia. A sister, Mrs. Blanche Templeton, died a few years ago.

Funeral services will be held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home, conducted by her pastor, the Rev. Walter Ralston. Burial will be in Independence Cemetery.

Tranquill-Zick Wedding

Miss Mary Zick, daughter of Mrs. Mary Zick, of Penowa, and August Tranquill, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Tranquill, of Penowa, were united in marriage Sunday morning, June 23, 1940, at the St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church, with the Rev. F. J. Mannsman in charge. The bride wore a white satin gown of princess style with tulle veil, and carried a bouquet of white lilies. Her maid of honor, Miss Alvena Tranquill, sister of the bridegroom, wore a pink chiffon gown and carried a bouquet of

mixed flowers. The bridesmaids were Miss Margaret Zick, sister of the bride, who wore pink chiffon, and Miss Jennie Rotundo, who wore aqua satin, and both carried bouquets of mixed flowers. Mr. Tranquill's best man was Anthony Zick, brother of the bride, and Robert Rotundo and Louis Tranquill served as ushers. Immediately after the ceremony, a dinner was served at the home of the bride and the young couple will move their home at Penowa.

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FRED L. SEABRIGHT

Fred L. Seabright, 88, died in the home of a daughter, Mrs. Herman Kreikemeyer, of near Hickory, Monday, Jan. 27, at 4:20 a. m. after an extended illness.

Mr. Seabright was born in Hanover, Germany, Feb. 15, 1853, and came to the United States May 3, 1872. He first settled in Wheeling, W. Va., and later moved to the Hickory community.

Surviving are nine children, Mrs. George Morris, of Pittsburgh; Mary and Henry Seabright, of Cherry Valley; John Seabright, of Bulger; Madeline Seabright, of Cheyenne, Wyo.; Mrs. Herman Kreikemeyer, of near Hickory; Mrs. Frank Yoders, of Washington; Fred Seabright, Jr., of Hickory, and Mrs. Leroy Clemens, of Steubenville, O. A sister, Mrs. Mary Wenslik, of Pittsburgh; 11 grandchildren and four great grandchildren also survive. Mr. Seabright's wife, Augusta Neibar Seabright, preceded him in death.

Funeral services will be held in the Kreikemeyer home Wednesday at 2 p. m., in charge of the Rev. F. S. Eberle, pastor of the Canonsburg St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Burial will be in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory.

MRS. JOHN H. McCALMONT

Mrs. Elizabeth McConnell McCalmont, 83, died suddenly at 9 o'clock Monday night, December 23, 1940, of a heart attack, in her home in Hickory.

Mrs. McCalmont was the widow of John H. McCalmont, who died in 1913. She was the only child of the late William and Rachel May McConnell, of near Canonsburg. Since her marriage she had resided in Hickory. She was a member of the Mt. Pleasant United Presbyterian Church, at Hickory.

A son, Wilbert, and a daughter, May, died several years ago.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete.

LOUIS RAYMOND MULL

Louis Raymond Mull died at his home in Hopewell Township, near Acheson, Sunday, September 3, 1939, after a month's illness.

He was born April 18, 1887, in Chartiers Township, and was a son of David and Mary McCarty Mull. He was educated in the local schools. He was a miner by occupation.

Surviving are the following brothers and sisters: William H., of Cecil; Mrs. Margaret Kennedy and Mrs. Paul Criquellon, both of Hickory; and Mrs. Joe Marth, of Claysville, R. D.

Mr. Mull enlisted in Company G, 58th Infantry, July 26, 1917, and was discharged October 16, by reason of disability.

Funeral services will be held in the home, Wednesday, September 6, at 2 o'clock, in charge of the Rev. M. O. Mickey, pastor of the Zion U. B. Church. Burial will be in the Zion Cemetery.

HENRY FEHL

Henry Fehl, 78, died Tuesday, Jan. 21, 1941, at 9:55 p. m. at his home in Cecil Township, McDonald R. D. 3, after an illness of two months.

Mr. Fehl was born in Germany and had resided in the United States since 1880, first at McKees Rocks, then at Sturgeon, and for many years in Cecil Township. He was a coal miner.

Surviving are his wife, Bertha Pauline Briet Fehl; two sons, Homer, of Studa, and George, of Tarentum; eight daughters, Mrs. Cathleen Freese, of New Castle, Mrs. Sadie Deboe, of Cecil, Mrs. Mayonelle Hallaways, of Rea, Mrs. Hazel Kerr, of Canonsburg, R. D. 1, Bessie Kirby, of Tarentum, Mrs. Mary McVicker, of Canonsburg, Mrs. Margaret Weaver, of Parkersburg, W. Va., and Mrs. Kate Marshall, of Cecil; one brother and three sisters; 22 grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p. m. today in the Reformed Presbyterian Church at Cecil. Burial will be in Venice Cemetery.

I. M. DAVIDSON

Iaac M. Davidson, 78, a successful farmer who was widely known and highly respected, died Monday morning at 11 o'clock, November 1940, at his home, Rea, R. D. 1. Mr. Davidson was born May 24, 1862, a son of the late David and Hannah Donaldson Davidson. He was a member of Grove United Presbyterian Church at West Middletown, which he attended faithfully as long as his health permitted. For many years he was a member of the board of Buffalo Telephone Company.

Mr. Davidson, on March 14, 1888, married Ella Smiley, who survives. They celebrated the 50th anniversary of their wedding two years ago.

Also surviving are nine sons and daughters, Mrs. E. V. Stoute, of Washington, D. C.; Mrs. Clyde E. Nixon, of Fairmont, W. Va.; J. Homer Davidson, of Herminie; Mrs. Lawrence Lowry and Mrs. William E. Lyke, of Washington, and May, Leonard, Willard and Calvin, all at home; 13 grandchildren; one sister, Mrs. Vena Davidson, and one brother, David M. Davidson, both of Washington.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday at 2:30 p. m. in Grove United Presbyterian Church at West Middletown, conducted by the pastor, the Rev. Walter J. Ralston. The body will lie in state in the church from 1:30 to 2:30 p. m. Wednesday. Burial will be in West Middletown Cemetery.

V. ALBERT McPEAK

Vincent Albert McPeak, 83, lifelong resident of Hickory, died at his home at 2:30 p. m., Wednesday, Feb. 5, 1941, following a lingering illness. Death was hastened by a fall in his home 10 days ago.

Mr. McPeak was born in Hickory in 1858, a son of Vincent and Margaret Davidson McPeak. He was associated with his brothers in the retail lumber business but had been retired for a number of years. He was a member of Mt. Pleasant United Presbyterian Church of Hickory.

Surviving are one sister, Miss Sarah Margaret McPeak, of Hickory; a sister-in-law, Mrs. Elizabeth McPeak, of Hickory, R. D.; one nephew, Walter McPeak, of Washington, R. D.; three nieces, Mrs. John H. McDowell Sr., of Hickory, R. D., Mrs. Clifford McNary, of Library, R. D., and Mrs. George Strouse, of Ithaca, Mich. A brother, David McPeak, died Dec. 22, 1940.

Funeral services will be held at the home in Hickory Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock in charge of the Rev. R. L. Stevenson, pastor of Mt. Pleasant United Presbyterian Church, assisted by the Rev. C. S. Thomas, pastor of Mt. Prospect Presbyterian Church. Burial will be in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery.

DAVID E. McPEAK

David E. McPeak, 76, well known retail dealer in building supplies, died at his home in Hickory Sunday, Dec. 22, 1940, at 5 p. m. of a heart ailment. He had been in failing health for more than a year but his condition had not become critical until two weeks ago.

A descendant of two prominent county families, Mr. McPeak was a son of Vincent and Margaret Davidson McPeak, and was born March 11, 1864, in Hickory, where he spent his entire life. Prior to dealing in building supplies, he was associated in business with his brother, the late S. N. McPeak, well known building contractor. Mr. McPeak was a member of Mt. Pleasant United Presbyterian Church at Hickory.

Surviving are one sister, Miss Sarah McPeak, and one brother, Albert McPeak, both of Hickory. Mrs. Elizabeth McPeak, of Hickory R. D., was his sister-in-law.

Friends will be received in the McPeak home where funeral services will be held Tuesday at 2 p. m. in charge of the Rev. R. L. Stevenson, pastor of Mt. Pleasant U. P. Church. Burial will be in Hickory Cemetery.