

### News About De Ruyter

F. J. DeGraff is working in a sawmill at Cowles Settlement. His son, Charles, has hired to Kirk Patrick of Cuyler until March 1st.

—Since reading our Toughnoga Lake correspondence in the current issue, we know this is not such a bad old world, after all, even in mid-winter.

—12 below Saturday morning; 30 below Sunday morning. Yesterday and today the temperatures have ranged from 18 to 30 above. Today it is cloudy with a storm in prospect.

—H. A. Eorgeld, well known local breeder of thoroughbred poultry, sold last week a Buff Orpington and three White Favorolles from his flock for exhibition at the Madison Square Garden show in New York.

—Mrs. Charles E. Coon of Lincklaen Center was operated upon by Dr. Wallace at the Crouse-Ingalls hospital, Syracuse, Thursday. Mr. Coon, who was with her several days, returned Tuesday, reporting Mrs. Coon in excellent condition.

—Eugene Bliss of Muller Hill reports the loss of a steel snow shovel from his rig while in the village last Friday. The previous week while his team was hitched in a shed at Georgetown someone hooked the seat from his sleigh.

—William Rogers Wells, aged 71, died in Ashaway, R. I., December 26th. He was a student of DeRuyter Institute in 1869-70. He was a manufacturer and prominently identified with the textile industry for many years as owner and manager of mills and as a commission broker. His wife, who was Pauline R. Stillman of Alfred, died in 1922.

—Mrs. Harry Gray writes from Springville, N. Y.: "Our Christmas was saddened by the sudden death of Harry's brother, Byron. He was ill just three days. Had an operation for appendicitis and peritonitis developed. He leaves a wife and four children." Deceased was the youngest son of Byron Gray, Sr., who will be remembered as operating a feed store here about twenty years ago.

—Another mile of snow fence is being put up by Supt. G. H. Lewis and helpers this week. The town of Cuyler should invest in some snow fence to be placed on the Cuyler-DeRuyter road. In the numerous places where snow piles up during the winter months.

—Charles G. Stone, 65, who was married last year to Mrs. Eva Adrich, former resident of DeRuyter, died at his home on the Cortland-Truxton road, Friday afternoon. Besides the widow he leaves a son, Frederick, and a daughter, Mrs. Belle Dickinson, both of Cortland.

—The DeRuyter snowplow has been doing real business the past few days. The opening of the old turnpike over Crumb Hill by Ivan Johnson and Harold Rogers of South Otselic inspired DeRuyter snowplow enthusiasts to show a little speed. The Frink plow, which had previously been condemned as unfit, was attached to Earl Best's five-ton Brockway truck with H. W. Cook's Larabee as an auxiliary pusher. The outfit was headed toward New Woodstock Sunday, followed by the Johnson plow, and before night an excellent road was available to auto traffic over the entire route. In the evening the road to Lincklaen was opened and Monday afternoon and evening the Cuyler-Red Schoolhouse road was plowed. Possibly, all this plow needed from the start, was the "East" man behind it. Anyhow, it plowed and left a smooth roadway, and now we're going to have a wing plow to throw the beautiful stuff clear over next to the fence where it will be out of the way of the drifting storms, enabling the road workers to keep a high way open of sufficient width to allow cars to pass one another. A meeting of interested business men, held at Blanchard's store this forenoon, decided to open the DeRuyter-Cuyler road tomorrow.

—"Good sleighing" no longer counts; roads must be open to auto traffic or business is at a standstill.

—An artist's studio, Chinese smuggling, rival love of four men for a beautiful immigrant girl, harbor wharves, a real fishing village and scenes along the California coast from the interesting setting for the feature picture, "Defying The Law," the Wm. B. Erush production showing at the Union Hall Theatre, Saturday evening. Renee Adoree does splendid acting in the role of Lucia, the young Italian girl. In three of her recent pictures Miss Adoree has enacted a leading role of a fishing girl. Her director in this picture, Bertram Bracken, seems to have secured the utmost from her. Bracken, by-the-way, who formerly directed "The Bays" and Anita Stewart in internationally known films, makes his return to screen work with this film. He has been totally blind for several years. In "Defying The Law," Lucia and her father find nothing but hardships in the new country instead of gold nuggets. The father, crazed with hunger, throws Lucia into the sea, thinking to end her troubles. But she falls into a fishing boat and is taken by the two occupants to their village. Here the newly awakened love for the younger of her rescuers, Guido, is interrupted by the brutal rival, Francisco, who takes the girl away to his partners in crime, Piero and Dr. Chong Foo, to be sold. These men carry on the nefarious trade of smuggling Chinese, under guise of an artist's studio.

—Last Friday while Arch Austin and L. H. Crandall were enroute to the LeMons farm, south of the village, in quest of a load of hay, the horses started up suddenly and Mr. Crandall lost his balance, and fell from the sleigh, breaking his right leg below the knee. He was immediately taken to his home where he was cared for by Dr. Monroe. The fracture proves to be an obstinate one to handle and Mr. Crandall, who is close to the four-score mark, has suffered greatly since the accident. He was taken to Cortland today where it is hoped an x-ray observation may point the way to ultimate relief.

—The moon may effect lovers and cause ocean tides, but "moon farming" is pure hokum, according to the Department of Agriculture. A writer, connected with the department, says the supposed effect on certain farm activities done by the "dark" or the "light" or some other phase of the moon is not substantiated by science. Scientists say the moon has no influence on weather or soil, and that even the light of the moon is not nearly intense enough to have any effect on plant growth or diseases. Many will not agree with them, and neither will they approve of their other statements, one of which is that "wet" moons and "dry" moons are only superstitions. But Grandpa believed in them, so does Pa. Whats good enough for their Dads is good enough for them, as the cannibal told the missionary, who said he shouldn't be eating his fellowman.

—George J. Murray, native of Lincklaen and former resident of DeRuyter, died at his home in Oriskany Falls last Thursday night, at the age of 64 years. The remains were brought to DeRuyter, where funeral services were held at the Congregational church at 1 o'clock p. m., Monday. Rev. W. T. Edds officiating, and interment was made in Hillcrest. A large gathering of relatives and friends from out of town were present.

—Deceased was the third son of James R. and Eliza Coye Murray, and was born in Lincklaen, August 3, 1862. His father, a soldier of the 157th, in the Civil war, died in 1864. George became an expert butter and cheese-maker and came to DeRuyter in 1899, operated the Quaker Basin creamery for awhile and later was manager of the Standard Dairy Company's plant, near the fair grounds. November 29, 1900, he was married to Mrs. B. Eliza Burdick and a short time later they located at Oriskany Falls, where they have since resided.

—The widow and one daughter, Miss Madeline, survive; also a brother, Marvin D. Murray, of DeRuyter; a half-brother, Charles Rice, of Oriskany Falls, and a half-sister, Mrs. Harriet Burdick, of Cortland.

—George J. Murray, aged 45, died Jan. 3 at the home of his sister, Mrs. Hubert Hull in South Cortland after a long illness.

—Mr. Holmes' early days were spent in DeRuyter and Lincklaen and the remainder of his life in Cortland, Canadaigua and Owego, where he was employed the greater part of the time by the Miller Corset Co. He was a member of the local order of Odd Fellows.

—He is survived by one son, Kenneth Holmes, his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Holmes; two brothers and five sisters: William Holmes of East Freetown, Duane Holmes of No. Pitcher, Mrs. Luella Hull of South Cortland, Mrs. Lena Bowker and Mrs. Blanche Bailey of Cortland, Mrs. Lois Tallett of Beaver Meadow and Mrs. Bessie Coon of Ithaca.

—Funeral services were held at the home of Mrs. Hull in South Cortland, Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock and were in charge of Rev. L. G. Spooner, pastor of the Second Congregational church of Cortland. Burial was made in the Cortland Rural cemetery.—Cortland Standard.

**SOUTH LEBANON**

Jan. 11.—Grip seems to be the prevailing disease in this locality. Those who were ill last week were Arthur Miller, Kenneth Scholesfield, and Mrs. C. J. Downey.

—A. B. Wedge purchased some cows at the sale held on the Spencer farm Wednesday.

—Mrs. Rose Barrows of Willow Brook spent Sunday afternoon and evening with her sister, Mrs. Charles Wilcox, leaving Monday morning for Leonardville to spend some time with her grandson, George Swayze.

—Arthur Miller was a business caller in Lebanon Center last Tuesday.

—M. H. Niles is in New York for a few days.

—Mrs. Katie Wynn left Monday to visit relatives in Lebanon, Earlville and Poolville.

**Card of Thanks**

We wish to acknowledge with grateful appreciation the many kind expressions of sympathy, from our friends and neighbors, during our recent bereavement.

Mrs. Annie E. Fisher, Margaret Fisher.

#### CHURCH AND SOCIETY NOTES

**M. E. Church**  
 Sunday morning 10:30, Holy Communion.  
 Sunday School 11:45.  
 Junior League 3 p. m., at the church.  
 Union Sunday evening service in the Congregational church. This will be in charge of the W. C. T. U. Rev. Babcock will bring a message in harmony with the celebration of the 7th birthday of National Prohibition.  
 Prayer meeting and choir rehearsal at the parsonage Thursday evening at 7:30.

**Congregational Church**  
 Morning worship at 10:30.  
 Union evening service W. C. T. U. in charge of Rev. John T. Babcock.

**Roosevelt Rebekah Lodge, No. 463 I. O. O. F.**  
 The Rebekah ladies will serve a supper in the Town Hall, Wednesday evening, January 19th, 1927, from 5:30 p. m. until all are served. Everyone is most cordially invited. Price 25 c.  
 The next meeting of Roosevelt Rebekah Lodge will be held Tuesday evening, January 25th, 1927. All members are urged to be present.

There will be a union meeting at the Congregational Church on Sunday evening, January 16th, under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. in honor of the 7th birthday of the National Prohibition Law. A variety program will be given. Let everyone interested in Temperance come and help celebrate. Let every member wear their badge.

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**DeRuyter Chapter, O. E. S.**

The following officers were installed last Monday night at the regular meeting of DeRuyter Chapter, No. 416:

Worthy Matron, Mrs. Julia E. Beers; Worthy Patron, Dr. L. E. Hinshaw; Associate Matron, Mrs. Anna Gardner; Conductress, Mrs. Hattie Garrison; Associate Conductress, Mrs. Dorothy J. Rider; Trustee for 3 years, Mr. William H. Burt; Treasurer, Mrs. Frida F. Burt; Secretary, Mrs. Mabel H. Schellinger; Chaplain, Miss Florence Bosworth; Marshall, Mrs. Marguerite Stewart; Historian, Mrs. Maude D. Stillman; Pianist, Mrs. Mary A. Benjamin; Color Bearer, Mrs. Della C. Hinshaw; Warden, Mrs. Nellie Poyle; Sentinel, Mr. Porter E. Briggs; Adah, Mrs. Nellie MacNeil; Ruth, Mrs. Lena A. Spalding; Esther, Mrs. Margaret E. Hubbard; Martha, Mrs. Flossie Lewis; Electa, Mrs. Carrie J. Ottman.

Refreshments were served after the meeting.

**Bank Elects Officers**

The annual meeting of the DeRuyter State Bank for the election of directors and organization held at the bank building yesterday afternoon resulted in the following directors being elected for the coming year:

F. L. Mitchell, H. M. Schellinger, M. E. Tallett, W. J. Smith, Geo. B. Burdick, W. H. Burt and J. E. Newitt.

The directors then organized and these officers were elected:

President, H. M. Schellinger; Vice-President, M. E. Tallett; Cashier, F. L. Mitchell; Assistant Cashier, Geo. B. Burdick; Teller, Cecil Taber.

**Card of Thanks**

We wish to extend our thanks and appreciation for the lovely sunshine box which came from the Sunshine Committee. I also thank my kind neighbors and friends for their kindness shown me during my illness.

Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Pools.

FOR SALE—Two sets second-hand bobs. H. W. Cook, DeRuyter.

#### CHARLES HUNT SERIOUSLY INJURED WHEN TRAIN HITS AUTO AT THE RIPLETON CROSSING

Charles A. Hunt well known DeRuyter farmer, lies in the Hospital of the Good Shepherd, Syracuse, in a serious condition as the result of an accident at the Ripleton crossing of the Chenango Valley railroad, Tuesday morning, when his auto, a Ford sedan, was struck by a locomotive and thrown from the roadway.

As Mr. Hunt was unconscious when picked up and has since remained in that condition, little is known as to the cause of the accident, but as the locomotive was coming from the Cazenovia station, headed toward Ripleton, it is probable that the driver did not see its approach until too late to stop his car.

Engineer Vrooman was not aware of the disaster until he noticed pieces of the car flying past the cab window. Dr. M. R. Joy and Dr. A. R. Morrow of Cazenovia hurried to the scene in response to emergency calls and gave first aid treatment, after which the train consisting of a locomotive and caboose, bearing the injured man, was backed into the city at record speed, when he was transferred to the hospital where examination disclosed a compound, depressed fracture of the skull. After over three hours on the operating table his condition was reported favorable, but a relapse is not unlikely, it was said because of the serious nature of the injuries. Later reports from the hospital indicate no change in his condition.

Immediately upon being notified of the accident, Mrs. Hunt was taken to the hospital by G. S. Milps and she expects to remain near his bedside while his critical condition continues. Mr. Hunt, who is about fifty years of age, has always enjoyed excellent health and at the time of the accident was in fine physical condition. Circumstances which may mean much in his chance of recovery from such serious injury.

He is prominent in Grange and Farm Bureau work and at the time of the accident was on his way to Earlville to attend the annual meeting of the Patrons' Fire Relief Association, of which he is a director.

#### PERSONAL MENTION

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Davis visited Syracuse friends several days last week.

Mrs. Mary Case and daughter, Mrs. Newton Mann, of Syracuse are in town today.

Mrs. Lydia Ann Throop of Norwich celebrated her 101st birthday on January 6th.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cathcart of Durhamville celebrated their sixteenth wedding anniversary, January 9th.

Dr. O. C. DeLong returned to Oenonta, Saturday, after spending two weeks with his mother, Mrs. Mary DeLong, and sister, Mrs. J. C. Stillman.

M. D. Murray accompanied his son, C. D. Murray, of Syracuse, to Oriskany Falls Saturday to call at the home of his deceased brother, George J. Murray, whose remains were brought here for burial Monday.

Miss Frances Gardner, the young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Gardner of this place who has been a patient in a hospital at West Haverstraw the past two years, is ill with diphtheria. Her condition was not considered serious at the last report.

Carlton M. Jones and family of Alfred, Ronald Babcock and family of Hornell, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hanks of Almond, J. E. Babcock and family of Fairmount, W. Va., and Lucy Babcock, who is in high school here, celebrated Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Babcock of Whitney Valley.—Alfred Sun.

Among those from out of town in attendance at the funeral of George J. Murray on Monday, were Stephen Murray, Thomas E. Shields, Charles Kellogg, wife and son, Marathon; Fred Murray, Mrs. Hattie Burdick, Giles Coye and wife, Cortland; Mrs. Rose Murray, Mrs. Myron Vincent, Cazenovia; Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Murray, son, Robert, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Patten, Syracuse.



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