



This old photo was taken looking east from South Main Street in Woodstock in the direction of Emanuel Lutheran Church. The church is visible in the background. The house at left has long since been removed. Until the 1960s it was the site of C&R Chevrolet, later Grubbs Chevrolet. More recently it has been the location of a branch bank. The building in the center and on the south side of High Street has been removed. Until recently it was the site of a gas station and now is the location of M&R Mart, a convenience store. The photo was taken before the former grocery store building was erected on High Street east of the intersection. Old photos are needed to continue this series. Persons with photos to loan are asked to bring them to The Free Press office on U.S. 11, south of Woodstock.

Pages from newspapers past

July 19, 1888

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Abraham Funkhouser was born Jan 8, 1800 and died July 13, 1888, aged 88 years 6 months and 5 days. He was the father of 11 children, six of whom are living.

Mary, aged about 27 years, wife of Walter Jefferson, colored, at her home in New Market Friday, and was buried at the Lewis Bird graveyard, several miles east of New Market.

Mr. I. Hite Bird is tearing away the old house on the corner in front of his elegant new dwelling, preparatory to arranging a large yard that surrounds the house. When Banks' army entered Woodstock on the morning of April 1st, 1862, Mr. Jno. S. Hoshour, then a mere boy, hid a revolver under the eaves of this old dwelling house, then occupied by his father's family. Strange to say, he never thought of the weapon until a few days ago when he saw them tearing away the building. He went upstairs, reached under the eaves and drew out the pistol that had quietly reposed there during all the remaining years of the war and up to the present time. It was but slightly rusted and showed plainly the maker's name and factory in Glasgow, Scotland.

July 26, 1888

Died. Daniel Kagey, son of William H. and Martha J. Lloyd, July 20, aged one year.

Near Cabin Hill July 27, Mr. Jacob Wolfe, aged 84 years 4 months and 20 days. He leaves a wife and five children to lament their sad loss, five of his children having preceded him to the grave.

Strasburg news. Mr. George Miller of Nebraska, a resident of this place many years ago, is visiting relatives and friends in this town. He left here fifty-five years ago.

Died, of congestion of the brain, at his residence in this place July 24th, Mr. William E. Spengler, aged 29 years 9 months and 22 days.

Aug. 3, 1888

General Local News. Our friend, J. B. Kronk, the well-known cigar man of the late manufacturing firm of J. B. Kronk & Co. of Toms Brook, recently closed out his business and has gone to Kirksville, Missouri, where he will go into the cigar business.

The Strasburg Dots, the first number of which has been issued in Strasburg by O. A. Keister, Esq., is a small but readable sheet, subscription prices 60 cents per year in advance.

Aug. 9, 1888

Mr. George A. Zirkle died at his home near Forestville Aug. 2nd, aged 69 years 4 months and 23 days. He was twice married. He leaves a devoted daughter and two sons.

Belle Boyd, the Rebel Spy. Belle Boyd, Mrs. High, recently delivered two lectures in New Market on the perils of a spy. She had much experience in that direction during the War Between the States...She will start for her home in Iowa, where she has four children.

Married. The 5th of Aug., Mr. Louis V. George and Miss Anna R. Stultz.

Aug. 7th by Rev. Mr. Noss, Mr. W. T. Noss, formerly principal of the graded school of Woodstock, and Miss Lettie Feller.

Died. Keerby Elmer, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. William Peters, aged one year.

At Toms Brook July 29, Nellie Madge Erbert, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Crabill, aged one year.

Columbia Furnace. Mr. Reuben Barr, with his daughters Misses Grace and Florence of Newcastle, Indiana, have been visiting Mr. Lorenza Fately in Shenandoah County where Mr. Barr formerly lived. Mr. Barr was a member of General Ashby's command during the war.

The summer and normal school has just closed, among the teachers were present were J. N. Coffman, J. W. Fately and Misses Sarinda and Lillian Coffman.

General Local News. The Valley Star Roller Mill, on the river several miles east of Woodstock was sold by W. M. and C. F. Rush a few days ago to Dr. J. I. Triplett for \$3,650. The sale includes two good dwelling houses. It was formerly the property of Eli Hottel, by whom it was changed from a burr to a roller mill, only a few years ago.

Aug. 16, 1888

Married. At Quicksburg Aug. 9 by Rev. S. Henkel, Miss Mollie E. Schaeffer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Schaeffer, and Mr. G. L. Kerlin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Kerlin.

Died. Joseph Paul, son of Cain and Elizabeth Coffman, near Moore's Store Aug 10, aged 6 months.

Near New Market August 1, Mr. Samuel Fansler of paralysis, aged 72 years. He leaves five daughters and two sons.

Aug. 24, 1888

Married. At Seven Fountains by Rev. L. Fox, Mr. William C. O'Flaherty and Miss Elizabeth C. Rinker.

Died. Near Woodlawn Aug. 11, Millie A.

Kagey, wife of A. J. Kagey, aged 46 years 1 month and 24 days.

Aug. 24, 1888

Died. On the 9th inst. Mrs. Julia Ann Hottel, widow of the late Jacob Hottel, at her residence near Buckton, Warren County, aged 72 years.

Sept. 7, 1888

Died. Charles William, infant son of Isaac and Rebecca Spiggle, Aug. 29, aged one year.

Married. At the home of the bride Aug. 30th by Rev. Geo. A. Whitmore, Mr. Samuel D. Sager to Miss Barbara E. Estep.

Near Mt. Clifton Aug. 30th by Rev. George A. Whitmore, Mr. Jas. W. Dellinger to Miss Martha Rohue of Hardy County, W. Va.

At Strasburg Aug. 29th by Rev. J. A. Spencer, Mr. Robert F. Myers to Miss Ella H. Fravel, both of Woodstock.

Mr. Perry Pence, residing about two miles west of Edinburg, died suddenly while on the road returning to his home from Edinburg on Wednesday. He was buried at Union Forge Church. He was aged 61 years and leaves a widow and a number of children.

Sept. 14, 1888

Mr. Joseph Hawkins was killed by a falling log while helping some parties building a foot bridge at Mr. J. P. Miller's crossing...He was a member of the Mt. Jackson Company in the 33rd Virginia Regiment, Stonewall Brigade, and was badly wounded at the first battle of Manassas. His age was about 46 years and he leaves a wife and seven children.

Sept. 21, 1888

Edith Items. Diana McInturff died last Thursday, aged 70 years 3 months and 12 days.

Mr. W. L. McInturff left for Mt. Olive where he was united in the holy bonds of matrimony to Miss Sarah E. Hottel.

Sept. 27, 1888

Married at "Loch Willow", the residence of the bride's parents Sept. 25, by Rev. George A. Whitmire, Dr. W. A. Vaughan of Timberville and Miss Lula A., youngest daughter of W. W. West of Rockingham County.

Maurertown News. On last Sunday Christian Gochenour and Miss Betsy Hockman were joined in holy wedlock. The aged of the groom is 68 years, and the age of the bride is 57 years.