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BOILER EXPLODES.

Three Men Seriously Injured
Near Benton.

A Saw Mill, The Property of
Everett & Ikeler Completely
Ruined.

A serious and almost fatal explosion occurred at Everett & Ikeler's saw mill, near Benton Friday afternoon last. The plant was completely demolished and three employees, badly injured. The unfortunate men are Charles Savage, face and body cut; Robert Evans, wounded internally and considerably bruised about the body, and Emanuel Bender, struck by a flying missile. The latter's injuries were of a very alarming nature and it was at first thought that his life could not be saved. His condition however, is greatly improved and the probabilities are that he will recover.

A fire was discovered in a lot of wood near the boiler, and the men at once set to work to extinguish it. Some of the water went on the boiler and this it is said caused the explosion.

COMMITTEE MEETING.

The Democratic County Committee held a meeting at Hotel Ent Saturday afternoon. There were five in attendance, namely: County Chairman C. A. Small, of Catawissa, Secretaries R. G. F. Kshinka, of Briarcreek, John K. Bittenbender, of Bloomsburg, Geo. Clemens, of Berwick, and John C. Rutter, Jr., of Bloomsburg. The main object of the meeting was to formulate plans for the coming campaign. An effort will be made to get out the full vote and to that end every committeeman will have certain townships to look after. The probabilities are that Bryan's majority this fall will be the largest Columbia county has ever given a presidential candidate. It was decided to open the campaign about the first of September with a big ratification meeting, to be held in this town. The committee adjourned to meet again on Friday, August 10th, at Democratic headquarters, in the COLUMBIAN Building.

A Pleasant Time.

At the home of J. L. Harp near Mordansville a very pleasant party was held Saturday evening, July, 29. David Beagle, Samuel English, Clark Thomas, Mrs. Clark Thomas, Miss Lulu English, and Mae Dennen furnished some fine music on the organ and violins until a very late hour when refreshments were served, to which everybody did ample justice.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Robbins, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel McHenry, Mr. and Mrs. Clark Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Manning, Misses Ara Dennen, Grace Robbins, Lulu English, Mae Dennen, Mina Dennen, Leah Manning, Eva Harpe, Ada Harpe, Eva Manning, Mr. Henry Brown, George Hower, Frank Farman, Clinton Brown, Bruce Hagenbuch, Harry English, Samuel English, Samuel Baylor, Wm. Hower, John R. Thomas, Levi Manning, Warren Manning, David Beagle, John Thomas. A GUEST.

Bank Cashier Elected.

The vault, the last of the brick work on the new bank building, was finished yesterday and the carpenters are putting down the floors. The plasterers will follow and it is expected the building will be ready to open business by September 1st. At a meeting of the directors Wednesday afternoon Daniel Z. Mensch, a teller in the First National Bank at Bloomsburg, was elected cashier. Mr. Mensch has had experience and careful training and is well up in his line of work. —Shickshinny Echo.

Board of Trade.

The meeting to organize a Board of Trade will be held in the Court House tonight at 8 o'clock. The committee appointed to prepare a plan of organization will make its report, and a constitution and by-laws will be adopted, and officers elected. Every man who signed the paper should be present, and those who desire to sign should also come and join the movement.

DEATH OF MRS. WM. T. FOLEY.

Arabella, wife of William T. Foley, died at her residence in Berwick early Monday morning, after an illness of more than a year. Last Friday she was stricken with paralysis, and lay in an unconscious condition until Monday morning, when death relieved her suffering. Mrs. Foley was born and raised in Danville, and was the youngest daughter of Robert and Isabella Young (deceased), who formerly resided in Danville, and was a sister-in-law of Eckhart Jacobs, of this town. During her girlhood days she resided in Bloomsburg with her sister, the late Mrs. E. Jacobs, and for a number of years also resided with the family of W. H. Gilmore. After her marriage to Mr. Foley, at Danville, and after a residence in that city of a few years, they removed to Berwick, where her husband was employed by the Jackson & Woodm Manufacturing Company. Mrs. Foley was a hard working woman, of an amiable disposition, and was well liked by all who knew her. She is survived by her husband and five children—two sons and three daughters—and also by four brothers, namely: James E. and Henry T., residing in Berwick, and William and Joseph C. Young, residing in Danville. Mrs. Foley's age was about 46 years.

The funeral took place on Wednesday afternoon at three o'clock, interment in the cemetery at Berwick, the services being conducted by Rev. Hunter, pastor of the Presbyterian Church.

Death of Mrs. Cordelia Kisner.

On Wednesday morning at eight o'clock, Mrs. Cordelia Kisner, after an illness dating from the 12th of last December, passed peacefully away, aged 73 years, 5 months and 3 days. On that day she was stricken with paralysis, of which there had been several slight indications previous to that time. Only the most careful nursing and medical attention following the last heavy stroke, and the faithful continuance of these ministrations have held her waning life to earth longer than the most anxious watcher of her condition could hope for. Her continued existence all through the winter, spring and summer months was also due in a measure to a wonderful vitality which manifested itself in the elastic step and general good health she possessed until within a year of her death. But at last to her has come, as it must to all of us, the time when "the silver cord is loosed, the golden bowl is broken."

Mrs. Kisner, was a daughter of Nicholas and Catharine Seybert, born in Salem twp. Feb. 22, 1827. She was married to Reuben Kisner in 1851. Her husband having died in 1882, she removed with her family to Berwick in 1893, where they have since resided. She is survived by five children, Margaret C., wife of Joseph Eck, of Briar Creek, Mary C., and Charles N., living at home, Annie H., wife of Dr. Vance, of Orangeville, and Eliza S., wife of Dr. N. H. Meyers, of Plymouth. She is also survived by a sister, Mrs. E. H. Little, of Bloomsburg.

Funeral services at the house Saturday at half past one, Rev. N. Scheffer, of the Lutheran Church, officiating. Interment at Beach Haven.—Berwick Enterprise.

Live and Dead Towns.

In speaking of the conditions of towns in this state, the *Penna. Record* published at Altoona, says: "Some communities progress, while others either stand still or retrograde. Sometimes this is due to national conditions, but just as often it is due to the people themselves. A town will never grow unless the people in it care something for success. If each cares only for his individual prosperity, the town is destined to become dead. If the live towns are investigated, they are found to be towns in which the people have an interest in each other. They help along public enterprise both by good will and money. The dead towns are those in which the people want an indemnifying bond, guaranteeing a profit of not less than ten per cent. before they will make an investment."

For Rent.

Two of the best rooms for offices in the town, second floor front COLUMBIAN building. Will be rented together or separately. Water, steam heat, electric light, and all modern conveniences. Terms low. Inquire of Geo. E. Elwell.

Camp Idleness.

A big hack load left town Sunday morning for Camp Idleness, where they spent the day. They report having had a fine time. Judging from their description of the Camp it must be a beautiful spot, just such a place as Eugene Fields had in mind when he wrote:

"It seems to me I'd like to go
Where bells don't ring, nor whistles
blow,
Nor clocks don't strike, nor gongs don't
sound,
And I'd have stillness all around.

Not really stillness, but just the trees'
Low Whisperings, or the hum of bees,
Or brooks' faint babbling over stones
In strangely, softly tangled tones.

Or maybe a cricket or katydid,
Or the songs of the birds in the hedges
hid,
Or just some such sweet sounds as
these
To fill the tired heart with ease."

Taking advantage of the facilities we called up the campers by telephone this morning to learn the latest happenings. O. W. Ent answered the call. Just as he was ringing the bell, Freeze Quick appeared in camp with an 18 inch bass, which he had landed only a few minutes before. Ed. Clark also caught a 16 incher of the same species. We can almost vouch for the truthfulness of these too catches, as the first one was held up to the telephone, and we are convinced from the way it slammed against the transmitter that it was a monster.

Among the Camp's other successful anglers are Harry Deer and Clark Hagenbuch. They were pulling pike out of the creek so fast that Mr. Ent became confused trying to count them. If the total number caught by these two gentlemen, during their life in Camp, isn't too great to express with figures we will give it in our next issue.

J. S. Bachman and C. B. Ent were guests Tuesday afternoon.

Included among the number which visited the campers on Sunday were David S. Pancost and John Faloney, two of Shamokin's young business men. The former is the manager of Tooley & Co's., store in that town.

The train conveying the Lutheran Church picnic to Grassmere Park was slightly wrecked a short distance below Camp Wednesday morning. All the Idlers hurried to the assistance of the trainmen, the broken wheel and brake repaired and the excursionists sent on their way rejoicing.

FRIGHT ENDS IN DEATH.

Eward Moore, Succumbs to a Seare Occasioned by Robbers.

In Fairmount township, Luzerne county, Monday night, occurred the death of Edward Moore, who together with his wife were subjected to torture by three masked robbers at their home about five weeks ago. The three outlaws in question entered the Moore home about half past one in the morning and because Moore would not divulge the whereabouts of his money he and his wife were cruelly treated. The fright received at this invasion is the direct cause of Moore's death, he never fully recovered his senses.

The funeral occurred on Tuesday, and was largely attended by friends. Interment took place in the cemetery near the Mossville M. E. church.

Elopement Case.

An elopement comes from Ricketts, on North Mountain.

While Michael Palach was at his work a man named Anteo Shunk went to his home and persuaded Mrs. Palach to go to Philadelphia with him. They walked to Lake Ganoga Hotel and there took a carriage for Jameson City. From the latter place they went to Bloomsburg, where they were overtaken by a Lopez restaurant man, who demanded \$65 from the woman for liquid refreshments purchased by her. She handed over the amount and \$3 extra to cover the expenses of the trip and then the woman and her paramour left on their journey.—Wilkes-Barre Record.

Girton Reunion.

On account of the Farmers' picnic being on the 9th of August, the Girton Reunion will be held in Hess' Grove, Rupert, on the following Thursday, August 16th.

S. J. JOHNSON, Sec'y.

Peaches are in market, but the fruit is of an inferior quality.

Willis Marjorum, aged 40 years was foully dealt with by tramps at Palo Alto, on the Philadelphia & Reading Railroad, one day last week, while on his way to Pottsville to look for work. He died from injuries inflicted upon him, at the Pottsville Hospital on Monday. His remains were claimed by Edward Marjorum, his cousin, who lives at Catawissa. The deceased formerly lived in Bloomsburg and was employed at Jerry Geese's bicycle repair shop.

William B. Cummings and Miss Laura Rishel were married in the Reformed church Thursday morning last at ten o'clock, by Rev. A. G. Apple, pastor of the Reformed church Catawissa. After the ceremony a wedding breakfast was partaken of in the private dining apartment of the Normal School. Miss Rishel for some time has been living with Dr. Welsh's family. After a wedding tour they will take up their residence in Columbus, Ohio.

Lawrence Brown is the name of an individual who according to our exchanges, landed a 24 inch bass at Bloomsburg one day last week. The fish according to the story weighed 7½ pounds. An animal of that size and weight, in the waters hereabouts, is as unknown as is the fellow who is alleged to have caught it. The reporter who sent it, could no doubt, with a little effort, secure a job as a Chinese war correspondent.

The Boys' Brigade Camp, at Forks, closed on Friday. They arrived in town about half-past five and were given a reception at the Y. M. C. A. Building, on Market street. In the evening they gave a drill. The Hazleton Brigade remained in town over night and started for home Saturday morning. The drum corps of the local brigade escorted them to the East Bloomsburg station.

A Sunday school picnic is the thing to demonstrate debilitated energies. There are always a few who do all the work, while the rest sit and look. There is a constitutionally tired class who would drink warm creek water rather than exert themselves and have ice cold lemonade.

The Misses Minnie and Martha Penman, Miss Cadman, Miss Annie Hassert and Miss Margaret Williams of this town constitute what is termed by the Philadelphia Times artist "the umbrella brigade" on the beach at Atlantic City, a photograph of which appeared in last Sunday's Times.

Fred Allen, Louis Buckalew, Alfred Armstrong, Warren Evans, Carl Krum and Robert Bogart compose a party which left town early Tuesday morning for Mann's Island near Clarkstown, where they will camp out for ten days.

The A. M. E. Campmeeting at Rupert was largely attended on Sunday. It is to the revenue obtained from this meeting that the local colored church owes its existence.

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'TIS A LONG CRY to July 31st, when we take inventory. But it's coming, and at that time we want to feel ourselves poor in goods. Our rule is to move slow selling goods at any price. We won't wait until the last week in July to put the knife into the prices, but we start now, when the goods are reasonable. We mention a few things:

Silks.

Suitable for waists. Silk remnants, 20, 25, 40, 50 and 70c. Their value is just double this.

White dimity, reduced from 20c. to 12½c. and from 15c. to 10c.

Shirt Waists.

Which were good value at 50c., now 25c., and others that were 35 and 50c., now 20c.

Remnants

Of Marseilles, to close, from 28c to 18c.

Barred Nainsook, reduced from 20 and 25c., to 10 and 15c.

Shirt Waists.

Of India linen, Pique and other reasonable stuffs, were \$1.00 and \$1.25. To close out the lot, 50c.

Shirt waists, which were \$1.50, \$1.75 and \$2.00, now \$1.25.

Bargains in Doylies & Crash Silks

We are closing out Richardson's wash silks at 3½c. per skein. We are also closing out our stock of doylies. These are new goods, bought for this season, but as we have decided to discontinue selling this class of goods, the price will be just cut in half.

Grocery Department.

You certainly must like the goods we handle. The business in this department is steadily growing every month. We will serve you better, the more business we get from you.

Rugs, Rugs, Rugs, Rugs.

We have them, from the small velvet rug, 18x30, to the carpet size, 12x15. No one can show you the line of these goods that we do. Consider what it means to give you a selection out of 40 rugs, and at all prices. We will give you a velvet rug, suitable for a porch rug, at \$1.10. \$1.50 would be a reasonable price for them. Our carpet stock is full. We keep it so. The newest designs and colorings are always seen on our floors. We will close out our mattings at cost price.

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