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AMONG THE SPORTS.

What was probably the roughest game of basket ball ever played in Bloomsburg took place in the gymnasium Thursday evening between Pittston and the Normal. The contest was without a semblance of science, and there was much to disgust the lovers of good clean sport. Prof. Aldinger, who officiated as umpire during the first half objected to the manner in which the game was being played, but without avail, and he withdrew from the contest, G. Ed Lewis taking his place.

Notwithstanding the roughness, the game was not without its amusing features. Shetz, who played against Riland, kept the audience in a laugh by his tactics and furnish enough fun to stock several farce comedies.

To the credit of John McGuffie, a graduate of the Normal, and who has a host of friends in town, it must be said that he put up the best game of any one on the floor.

The line up follows:

NORMAL		PITSTON
Hayes	Attack	McGuffie
Reighard	"	Anthony
Marcy	Centre	Tighe
Riland	Guard	Shetz
Ruloff	"	McFarland

Goals from field—Marcy 2, Hayes, McFarland, McGuffie, Anthony. Goals from fouls—McGuffie 3, Hayes 2. Referees—Dr. A. K. Aldinger and Ed Lewis. Umpire—W. B. Evans, Pittston. Timers—Cope, Normal; Davenport, Pittston. Time of halves—20 minutes.

PITSTON WINS AGAIN.

As previously agreed Normal sent a team to Pittston Friday evening for a return game. It was not the regular line up however, as several of the players were unable to go. Unlike the contest of the previous night, it was a clean and interesting exhibition. Pittston was again victorious, scoring 16 points while the Normal's representatives could gather but 5.

BASE BALL SCHEDULE.

Following is the schedule of the Normal School base ball team for the coming season:

April 19, open.
 April 26, Bucknell University at Bloomsburg.
 May 3, Susquehanna University at Bloomsburg.
 May 9, Dickinson Col. at Bloomsburg.
 May 10, Harrisburg Athletic Club at Harrisburg.
 May 14, Wyoming Seminary at Bloomsburg.
 May 16, *Gallaudet College at Bloomsburg.
 May 17, Susquehanna University at Selingsgrove.
 May 24, Franklin and Marshall College at Bloomsburg.
 May 30, *Blossburg at Blossburg, N. Y.
 May 31, State College, at State College.
 June 4, Cuban X Giants at Bloomsburg.
 June 5, Cuban X Giants at Bloomsburg.
 June 7, *Pittston Y. M. C. A. at Bloomsburg.
 June 11, Wyoming Seminary at Kingston.
 June 14, *University of Virginia at Bloomsburg.
 June 21, Miner-Hillard Club at Wilkes-Barre.
 June 23, open at Bloomsburg.
 June 25, open at Bloomsburg.
 *Indefinite.
 The Carlisle Indians were scheduled for a game in Bloomsburg but the school has decided not to put a team on the field this season.
 The Normal boys will appear in splinter new uniforms in the opening game on April 19.
 Gallaudet College, of Washington, D. C., which plays Normal May 16 is a strong outfit. The team is composed entirely of mutes.
 Hayes, Stevenson, Shaffer and Turnbach will do the twirling. The last two are south paws.

Boyd Shaffer will follow the example of his brother Charles, better known as "Jugger," and try his hand at professional base ball. He has forwarded a contract to the Raleigh, North Carolina, club. As a coacher Boyd, like his brother, is a winner.

J. Lee Martin's new wall cases and fixtures have arrived and painters are busily engaged getting the room in the Ent Building ready for his occupancy.

AN UNTIMELY DEATH.

The death of Wilson White, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. White, occurred at the family residence, corner Third and Center Streets about eleven o'clock, Saturday night after an illness of several months. The deceased was eighteen years of age. He possessed a pleasing personality, and conducted himself in a manner that won the respect and admiration of everybody.

Fully conscious of the seriousness of his condition, the parents, up to the very last, had hopes that the life which was just entering the age of discretion and usefulness, might be saved. Friday evening, he chatted pleasantly with some school mates who had called to see him. Saturday he grew worse, and when evening came, he was beyond the aid of things external, friends, affection, and human love and devotedness could not succor him, and as his eyes closed in peaceful sleep, the spirit departed to the other world. The sympathy of the whole community is extended to the sorrowing parents.

The funeral took place yesterday afternoon. Services were conducted by Rev. D. N. Kirkby of St. Paul's Episcopal Church. Interment was made in Rosemont Cemetery.

The Fair Association Holds Meeting.

Two New Events Added to the Speed Program.

The executive committee of the Columbia County Agricultural Society held an important meeting Saturday afternoon. Among the propositions deliberated upon, were the speed program and the enlargement of the grand stand. No definite action was taken on either of these questions but a committee consisting of James C. Brown, C. B. Ent, A. N. Yost and William B. Allen, was appointed to outline the race events. Inasmuch as substantial purses insure more and better horses, and at the same time are prolific in the way of attendance, it is highly probable that the 2.09 class will be cut out and two other events added, namely, a trot and a pace, with a purse of \$500 for each, and entry open to all. This will run the aggregate amount of the purses up to \$3,600. To the horse breaking the track record, which is 2.08 1/2 an additional \$100 will be paid. The committee will report at the next meeting to be held April 26th.

The matter of enlarging the grand stand was discussed at length, and the sentiment of the committee was decidedly in favor of an addition, but not until the forthcoming meeting will final action be taken. The incommensurateness of the structure was fully demonstrated at last year's exhibition, when it was inadequate to accommodate the people who sought admittance. On Friday many were unable to obtain even standing room.

October 7, 8, 9 and 10 were the dates selected for this year's fair. The First National Bank was chosen as a depository.

Dr. Palemon John.

Dr. Palemon John, well known in this town and section, especially by the older residents, died at his home in Elizabeth City, North Carolina on Wednesday of last week, from general debility. Dr. John started the Columbia County Republican in 1857, and continued as its editor and proprietor until the seventies.

During his residence in this community, he was one of the most prominent members of his party, and his allegiance was rewarded by appointments to positions of trust and profit, among them being postmaster and Internal Revenue Collector.

The deceased was a brother to Edwin John, of Millville.

Trestling Damaged.

The recent warm spell and rain combined, to melt the snow on the mountain, and as a result, Fishing-creek was on its wild behavior again. Sunday evening, the residents of the upper end were thrown into a state of trepidation by the rapid rise of the waters. But so far as we have been able to learn, the Bloomsburg & Sullivan Railroad Company suffered the only loss. The trestling near Central was damaged, and no trains were allowed to pass over it. The train due in Bloomsburg at 6.40 in the morning did not reach here Monday till late in the afternoon and then passengers had to be transferred. There was a rapid rise in the creek here, but it did not attain an alarming height.

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"A SOCIAL BARRIER."

Commencing next Monday, March 24, The Williamsport Sun will begin the publication of a serial story entitled "A Social Barrier," by Elmer E. Person, a member of the Sun editorial staff. Though woven together with a thread of fiction, the narrative is constructed largely from facts. It is a Pennsylvania story, flavored with the smell of the hemlocks and the backwoods, its characters selected from the common people, and the scenes of its enactment those of every-day life, that give to it a refreshing homeliness. Though a love tale with both romance and tragedy in it, yet the climaxes of "A Social Barrier" are both so unique and startling that the story has about it a vein of interest peculiarly its own. A pretty feature of the tale is its portrayal of the power of the press.

This story will have local interest in Bloomsburg because the author, Mr. Person, formerly lived here. He graduated from THE COLUMBIAN office about fifteen years ago, and we have watched his progress in journalism with much interest. He was a boy of much promise, and he is fulfilling the expectations of his friends.

THE DIFFERENCE.

Tennyson could take a worthless sheet of paper, write a poem on it and make it worth \$65,000—that's genius. Vanderbilt can write a few words on a piece of paper and make it worth \$5,000,000—that's capital. The United States can take an ounce of gold and stamp upon it an "Eagle Bird" and make it worth \$20—that's money. A mechanic can take material worth \$5.00 and make it into watch springs worth \$1,000—that's skill. A merchant can take an article worth 75c and sell it for \$1.00—that's business. A lady can purchase a 75c hat, but she prefers one that costs \$27.50—that's foolishness. A ditch digger works 10 hours a day and handles several tons of earth for \$1.50—that's labor. The printer of this could write a check for \$80,000,000, but it wouldn't be worth that much—that's rough. Any one can go and see Down and Up, and thoroughly enjoy an excellent performance of the best farce comedy ever written—that's common sense.

New Series Open April 1.

The Industrial Building and Loan Association of Bloomsburg, will open a new series on April 1st.

This association will mature its first series on that date, having run 123 months, showing a net profit to the investors of 12 per cent. per annum. During this period there has been 2321 shares issued to 434 share holders, 134 loans were made.

No losses have occurred; but one mortgage has been foreclosed during 10 years. Where is the National Association that can show such good results?

Stop, think if you have a few dollars to spare each month, take shares in this Association and accumulate a small fund to start in business or build a home. Payments \$1.00 per share monthly. Money to loan to persons desiring to secure a home.

Application for shares may be made to the Secretary or any of the Directors.

Directors: C. C. PEACOCK, J. R. TOWNSEND, SAMUEL WIGFALL, G. E. ELWELL, O. W. CHERRINGTON, F. R. CARPENTER, J. LEE HARMAN.
 Secretary, A. N. YOST.

Pure fun "Down and Up." Opera House Tuesday night.

A QUIOK TRIP.

On Saturday last Dr. H. Bierman called on a number of patients before seven o'clock in the morning. He took the Penn'a. train at 7.10 for Philadelphia, by way of Nescopeck, reached the city at 1.30, started for home at four o'clock, and arrived here at half past ten by trolley from Berwick, and called on several more patients before retiring. His object in going to Philadelphia was to accompany Jacob Zeisloft of Hemlock township to the Hahnemann Hospital to have some buckshot extracted from the patient's leg. That's a pretty good day's work.

Bank Directors.

A meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of Benton was held on Tuesday, and a board of directors elected as follows: John G. McHenry, J. B. McHenry, Charles Seeley, Benton; Frank W. Larned, Leddon Flick, Wilkes-Barre; Geo. B. Hummer, Elk Grove and Charles Wesley, Stillwater.

[READ MY AD ON 5TH PAGE.]

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