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FATALLY SHOT.

Was Crawling Under Porch to End Life of Suffering Animal When Foot Slipped and Pistol Exploded.

Formerly at Normal School.

There was profound sorrow among the many friends of Prof. W. H. Detwiler when on Tuesday morning it was learned that he had met his death by an accident. He was a member of the Normal faculty for several years, he resigned two years ago to accept a position in Philadelphia. The following from the Philadelphia Inquirer of Tuesday, gives the details of his death.

"Death in a strange and unexpected guise came to Professor Warren H. Detwiler, of the Northeast Manual Training School, on Monday. While attempting to shoot a sick cat at the residence of his father-in-law, James Van Horn, at Hatboro, the revolver was accidentally discharged, killing him almost instantly.

No intimation was given to his wife and family of the terrible calamity that had befallen them until nearly an hour after the accident had occurred, when his body was found under the porch of the house. Mrs. Detwiler was prostrated by the awful shock. Word was sent to the city for medical aid, but when a physician reached the place it was found that the professor was already dead.

With his wife and two children Professor Detwiler had been spending the summer at the residence of his father-in-law, who is cashier of the Hatboro National Bank.

Preparations were being made to return to the city in a few days, as it was necessary for the professor to again resume his duties at the Manual Training School.

A neighbor called at the Van Horn residence yesterday and requested Professor Detwiler to kill a sick cat that had been in misery for some time. He immediately responded, and securing a revolver, went in search of the cat. He found the animal suffering in great agony under the porch of the house. His pity was aroused and without waiting to coax the feline from its hiding place the professor fell on his hands and knees and started to crawl under the porch.

His foot caught in a twig and as he fell forward on his face he unconsciously twitched the forefinger holding the trigger of the revolver. The weapon was discharged, the bullet crashing through his brain. Believing that he had put the sick animal out of its misery no one paid any attention to the pistol shot. When Professor Detwiler did not return, however, a search was instituted and his body was found under the porch. Word was immediately sent to the University of Pennsylvania. Professor Wood, of the University Hospital, hurried to Hatboro and performed an operation in the hope of saving the professor's life, but nothing could be done.

Professor Detwiler who was but 35 years old had achieved quite a noteworthy reputation in the educational world. Prior to his occupancy of the chair of history and economics at the Northeast Manual Training School he was a member of the faculty of the Bloomsburg State Normal School, at Bloomsburg, Pa. He was at one time principal of the Hatboro Public School.

Later information by letters received here, corrects some inaccuracies in the foregoing. Prof. Detwiler had not gone under the porch but was endeavoring to get a shot at the cat in the yard when he slipped and fell, and the pistol was discharged. He was at once removed to the house and a surgeon summoned who performed an operation, but the injured man never regained consciousness, and expired at five o'clock in the afternoon. He was a graduate of the West Chester Normal School, and of Haverford College, and while connected with our Normal School he was considered one of the most valuable men of the Faculty.

The funeral services will be held to-day at the residence of his father-in-law in Hatboro. Rev. Dr. Hemingway will conduct the services. Dr. J. P. Welsh, Profs. Cope, Dennis, and Mrs. Sutliff went down to Hatboro yesterday.

Second Trolley Victim

Herman Walters, of Philadelphia, Struck by Car Near Lime Ridge.

DEATH QUICKLY FOLLOWED.

The second fatality to occur since the construction of the Columbia & Montour Electric Railway was that on Friday evening, when Herman Walters, of 2315 South Franklin street, Philadelphia, stepped in front of a car at a point near Lime Ridge, and was struck, knocked down and injured to such an extent that death followed a few minutes later.

It was car No. 2, the same one that ran over and killed the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Swayze, at Berwick a few months ago, and in charge of conductor Ray Hoffman, and motorman John Rambo. As the car was ascending the summit of a little hill a short distance above the scene of the fatality, Rambo observed the man walking leisurely along the roadside. He turned in toward the trolley and stepped directly in front of the car just as it bore down upon him. The current was immediately thrown off and the brake applied. When Rambo alighted from the car the man lay in a shapeless mass beneath the front wheels. The car was run back and the well nigh inanimate body carried in, laid upon the floor and brought to Bloomsburg. What little life remained deserted its earthly tenement before the car reached Almedia.

The remains were taken to G. G. Baker's undertaking establishment and prepared for burial.

The first rumor to gain currency after the accident occurred was that of suicide. This was probably due to the fact that it was hard to conceive how a man in full possession of his proper senses and without self destruction in his heart, could step in front of a car when he must have known that certain death would result. When it was learned later, however, that the man's hearing was defective and his sight somewhat impaired, the suicide theory was dismissed and people were ready to believe that the affair was purely accidental, which it undoubtedly was.

He in all probability heard the bell, and stepped on the track thinking that he was getting out of danger. This is the general opinion, and it is altogether reasonable. The fact of the man's poor hearing and defective vision was made known by Mrs. Amelia Hulshizer, of Light Street, at whose home he had stayed several times. In speaking of the matter Mrs. Hulshizer said that she had often wondered how a man in his crippled condition got about like he did. He was at the Hulshizer home about a year ago. The man, was, to appearances about forty-five or fifty years of age, and wore a sandy mustache. His clothes while not of the best, were good, and his general appearance denoted some culture and refinement.

Immediately after the body was carried into the undertaker's establishment, Mr. Baker telephoned to Coroner Sharpless, of Catawissa. He arrived here Saturday morning, and impaneling a jury consisting of J. K. Miller, C. A. Klein, Ray Pensyl, George Knorr, Warren Sharpless and Emanuel Lazarus, viewed the remains. In going through his pockets and grips it was discovered that he possessed a small fortune. In his right hip pocket was found two pocket books, one containing seven \$100 bills, and the other four \$50 bills. In one of the grips there was found ten \$10 gold pieces, one \$2 gold piece and some change. In another grip there was a ladies gold watch, a silver watch, a gold watch and chain, four lady's gold chains, three gold band rings, a lot of gold spectacles, a knife and a bundle of soiled clothing. Coroner Sharpless took charge of the money and watches. The other effects are in the possession of undertaker Baker.

The inquest was continued on Saturday to Monday evening when the jury met at the Central Hotel parlor and after hearing the evidence of motorman Rambo, John Waples, who stood on the front end of the car when the accident oc-

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Who Gets The Money.

What will become of the Cash of Herman Walters is yet an Open Question.

Several Applicants For It.

Under the laws of Pennsylvania, when a person dies intestate and without heirs, his property escheats to the state. In such case the Auditor General is the escheator, and he has the power to appoint a deputy escheator who takes charge of the property of the decedent, and in case no legal heirs can be found, he administers the estate, taking out letters of administration in the proper county, just as any administrator does. In case heirs are found, he would be accountable to them, and they could have an administrator of their own choosing appointed.

The first step in case of the death of such a person, is to inform the Auditor General. The law points out just how this information shall be given, in due form. The informant receives one third of the estate after the payment of all costs and expenses, and the balance goes into the state treasury.

Herman Walters who was killed by the trolley last Friday, seems to come under this head. He apparently had no kin in this country, and only a half-sister or step-sister in Germany who has not been heard from in many years. He leaves money to the amount of several thousand dollars, and it is reported that he owned a farm in Center county.

Information has been sent to the Auditor General by at least three persons, of the death of Walters. One of them sent it in the prescribed legal form, and the other two telegraphed. The Auditor General must decide who is the legal informant. The telegrams were sent first. That is one question for solution.

The next one is, who will administer the estate? Letters of administration have been granted to W. B. Allen by Register and Recorder Rutter, and H. H. Roger of Center county claims to have taken out letters there. Which of these is the legal administrator?

Will the Auditor General appoint one of these as deputy escheator, or will he appoint some one else, and, if so, who? Meanwhile the Coroner still has the dead man's money in his possession, and will probably hold it until he can pay it over to the proper person.

AFFLICTION'S HEAVY HAND.

Only a short time ago we narrated in these columns the very heavy weight that affliction's hand had laid upon the family of the late Bernhard Girton of Greenwood township. Again it becomes our painful duty to chronicle another visitation of sickness. It seems as though their cup of sorrow is not to be drained. The three, Mrs. Bernhard Girton, the young daughter of the late Mrs. Manning, and the niece who was taken ill while caring for the others, are scarcely out of danger, and now two sons, John and Frank are stricken with the dreaded typhoid fever, and their condition is alarming. A terrible calamity has certainly befallen them, one that is without a parallel in this section.

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BETRAYED BY MARKED MONEY.

Two employees of the Berwick Store Company, Morris Shuman and Frank Welliver, were arrested on Saturday by Chief of Police Clayberger, charged with the theft of money. They were arraigned before Squire Beishline, who held them for Court in the sum of \$300.

They were employed in the flour and feed department of the concern, and the scheme used to defraud the company was a clever one. They kept a supply of bogus cash slips, and when a customer would make a purchase he would be given one of these slips, and the money would then be placed in their pockets. Just how long the speculations have been going on or how much money they have made away with is hard to say. It is known that Shuman for some time past had been spending money rather lavishly, in fact his pace has been considerably faster than a salary such as he was getting would support. It was this that first aroused suspicion, and a detective was placed on the case. The trapping occurred on Friday when marked money was found upon their persons. Both denied the charge at first but the evidence was so strong and the net around them so tightly woven that they confessed.

The detection and arrest came as a surprise to them and Welliver nearly collapsed. He is a married man and has a wife and two children. Shuman is unmarried. He appeared to be but little affected. Both come from good families and their wrong doing is not only a shock, but a matter of deep regret to their families and friends.

Reporter Was Easy.

Who ever heard of an incline bowling alley? That is what the Morning Press says Derr Bros. are constructing in the rear of their restaurant. The fact of the matter is they are making a runway for the Winona Fire Company to dry their hose. Edward Shaffer gave the Press man the bowling alley story as a joke and he believed it. How easy some reporters are.

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