

OFFICIAL STATEMENT.

Newspapers Must Make Semi-Annual Sworn Statements to Post Office Department.

Under the act of August 24, 1912, all newspapers must make semi-annual sworn statements to the Post Office Department showing who owns the newspaper, the name of its editor, managing editor, business manager, and publisher.

Daily newspapers in addition to the above information, must give the average number of copies of each issue sold or distributed to paid subscribers during the six months preceding the date of the statement.

The same act also requires publishers to plainly mark all reading notices "advertisement" for which consideration is received. The penalty is not less than \$50 nor more than \$500.

Harris Township.

Mrs. E. A. Fisher spent last week at Altoona.

Miss Mary Corl spent three weeks with relatives at Pleasant Gap.

Miss Margaret Weber, of State College, spent Sunday at Boalsburg.

Mrs. Frank McFarlane visited at Port Matilda last week.

George C. Meyer, of State College, spent part of Saturday at Boalsburg.

Jack Frost made his first visit to this place on Sunday night.

H. S. Harro put a new roof on the Lutheran church, other mechanics are engaged there this week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Mothersbaugh attended George Keiler's sale at Houserville on Thursday.

Henry Frederick is seriously ill. Wm. Showalter, a trained nurse from Glen Iron, is taking care of him.

Rufus Lee, of Centre Hill, spent part of last week with Henry Frederick.

Mr. and Mrs. Rote, of Vicksburg, visited from Saturday until Monday at the Reformed parsonage. Mrs. Rote is a sister of Rev. Stover.

The Holy communion will be administered in the Reformed church on Sunday morning at 10:15; preparatory service will be held on Saturday evening at 7:15.

J. M. Wieland, Elmer Houz, O. W. Stover, W. H. Stuart, R. B. Harrison, P. S. Ishler, S. H. Baily, and Frank McFarlane attended the War Governors Convention at Altoona last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Keener, of Anacosta, California, arrived at Boalsburg on Saturday. Mr. Keener is visiting with relatives in different parts of the state during this week. Mrs. Keener will spend the time at the home of her brother C. W. Corl.

Aaronsburg.

Thomas Hull, who is employed at State College, spent the Sabbath with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cranston, of Philadelphia, spent a few days with relatives in town.

Cornelius Bower, one of our aged citizens, is under Dr. Frank's care. At this writing he is some better.

Walker Orwig, who is employed at Altoona, spent the greater part of the week with his family at this place.

George McCormick and family, of Potters Mills, spent a few days pleasantly with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Mingle.

Leroy Mensch has gone to the Peabody Musical conservatory at Baltimore, Md., to resume his studies in music.

Miss Bertha Musser, who has been employed at the Bellefonte hospital the past few years, is home on a vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Crouse, and Mr. and Mrs. William Guisevite are attending the Milton fair. They made the trip in Mr. Crouse's auto.

As the regular organist was not present on Sunday morning in the Reformed Sunday School, Miss Annie Eisenhouer very ably presided at the organ.

J. W. Forster, accompanied by his sister, Mrs. Sara Harper and Miss Sara Guisevite, spent a few days pleasantly in Lewistown. They made the trip in Mr. Forster's auto.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tomlinson, who had been located in Pendlefield, Ill., for the past few years, had their household goods shipped here and are now occupying part of Mrs. Sara Leitzell's home.

Brush Valley.

R. E. Wert and William Keller are on the sick list.

Mrs. Daniel Weaver who had been ill is improving.

A. E. Lambert and J. W. Beck lost valuable colts last week.

Miss Della Spayed went to State College where she is employed.

Some people from this section expect to attend the Milton fair this week.

The Farmer's meeting held at the Hoy school house last week was well attended.

Nearly all our farmers are through sowing wheat. Some of the farmers are cutting corn and others picking apples.

TOO YOUNG TO WEAR SWORDS

So the Midgents Were Armed With Dirk Knives Instead—They Were Fighters, Though, Farragut and Porter Being in Battles at the Age of Twelve.

Something more than a hundred years ago the midshipman was, indeed, the "midshipmite" that he was popularly called, for he was but a mite of a lad, usually receiving his appointment before he reached his teens. Admirals Farragut and Porter were midshipmen, adult and in pitched battles, at twelve years of age, and Goldsborough was appointed when only seven years old. Nowadays, however, the midshipman is quite a different person. He cannot enter the Naval academy under fifteen and is therefore when on a regular cruising ship after completing his four years' academic course usually a well developed man, physically mature and athletic and with a trained mind. He is far better equipped mentally than the lieutenants and many of the captains of even seventy years ago.

The old time middles were mere schoolboys. All the warships of any size carried in their regular complements a schoolmaster, whose duty it was to give the lads as liberal an education as possible in the odd periods between strictly professional duties. This rating of schoolmaster was abolished, in fact, only about twenty years ago, but after the establishment of the Naval academy, in 1841, these officials devoted their energies to the sailor apprentices only, the enlisted boys of the fleet. Even these now obtain their education on shore.

There is a tradition that the three brass buttons the midshipman wears on the sleeve of his full dress coat during his four years at Annapolis originated a century or more ago, when their presence was needed to discourage the youngsters from brushing their noses with their sleeves. This is probably a base slander, modern research indicating that the buttons are relics of the days when there was a cuff flap on the sleeve.

At all events the extreme youth of the midshipmite used to be his most conspicuous characteristic. Instead of the full sized regulation officer's sword that he now carries, he wore a little straight bladed dirk about a foot long. He was to a large extent a messenger for carrying orders about the ship, but he also took charge of boats and commanded men despite his youth. He was frequently placed in charge of a prize captured in war, taking her into port, and not infrequently suppressing mutinies among the prisoners on-board. Farragut was a prize master at twelve and got his prize safely in.

The title "midshipman" is an ancient one. He is above the seamen and the petty officers forward and below the commissioned officers in the wardroom aft; hence "midshipman." There was formerly a higher grade called passed midshipman, but this was abolished before the war between the states. Then the grade was restored, but called midshipman, the former midshipman being designated as a cadet midshipman. In 1882 the title of the latter was changed to naval cadet, which it still remains, and the midshipmen were merged with the ensigns. Accordingly the time honored title of midshipman no longer exists officially in the United States navy.

While officially a naval cadet, that young officer is still regarded and often referred to verbally as a midshipman, for he is the same creature as of old as far as his duties go. But by the side of his earlier prototype the twentieth century "middy" is a savant. Trigonometry was about as high up in mathematics as the old timer ever went. The twentieth century lad goes far beyond. He goes through analytical geometry of three dimensions, differential and integral calculus, applied mechanics.

Gunnery a hundred years ago was little more than loading, aiming and firing at short ranges. It now involves metallurgy, theory of the combustion of powder gases, stress and strain, mechanical engineering, manufacture and preservation of complex explosives and other abstruse subjects, in all of which the midshipman of the present day must be proficient.

Midshipmen were conspicuous in all our early wars, notably those with the Barbary States, with the West Indian pirates and with the British in 1812. They were equally conspicuous during our conflicts with the Spanish and Filipinos. Midshipmen, naval cadets, had charge of the extremely hazardous picket duty in the Santiago blockade, close under the Spanish batteries and often under musketry fire from shore. Cadet Powell ran his open launch right into the harbor of Santiago after the Merrimac, remained all night under the menacing guns of the inner batteries and steamed out again under their fire in the morning.—New York Press.

Blood and Fire.

A French editor, anxious for sensations, came into his office and asked his deputy what had happened. "Nothing," he was told, "except that a man's nose had been bleeding in the Place de la Concorde and a chimney is on fire in Montmartre." "Enough," said the other and wrote the placard "Blood and Fire in Paris!"

Hurry and cunning are the two apprentices of dispatch and skill, but neither of them ever learns his masters' trade.—Colton.

When you have a bad cold you want the best medicine obtainable as to cure it with as little delay as possible. Here is a druggist's opinion: "I have sold Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for fifteen years," says Enos Lollar of Saratoga, Ind., "and consider it the best on the market. For sale by all dealers. adv.

Laundry goes out October 10.

"FIGHTING BOB" EVANS.

His Meeting With His Confederate Brother and the Result.

Tradition has it that after young Robley D. Evans went to Annapolis he wasn't long in showing his mettle. The story of his first assertion of his personality runs after this fashion: When he left for the Naval academy his mother gave him a framed copy of the Lord's Prayer and instructed him to hang it over his bed. He complied, notwithstanding the fact that the rules of the academy forbade the placing of decorations in the rooms. An inspector remonstrated with him and ordered him to remove the prayer. Evans swore that he would smash the face of the first man who touched it. The inspector referred the act of insubordination to the commandant, who took it up with the secretary of the navy. Evans wrote home about the episode. It got into the papers. An indignation meeting was held in his home town and a protest made to the president. In the end a special dispensation was granted, allowing the cadet to keep his "decoration."

Being a Virginian, young Evans was urged by his mother to throw in his lot with the south when the civil war came. This he declined to do, so it fell out that he and his brother fought on opposite sides during the civil war. On one occasion Robley Evans entered a restaurant in Washington and observed his brother eating.

"An exchange of glances between us was quite enough," said Evans afterward. "Not a word was spoken by either of us. He paid his bill and hastily left the place, knowing very well that I would report his presence in the city. I ordered more oysters than I wanted and took plenty of time to eat them. He had come across the Potomac in a skiff. I was sure, and had tied it to an old sycamore tree near the spot where we used to swim. I wanted to give him a brotherly chance to get back to Virginia soil. He gained his boat and escaped, though a soldier fired at him in the darkness. On leaving the restaurant I met an officer of the provost guard and informed him that there was a Confederate soldier in Washington.

"How do you know?" he asked.

"That," I replied, "is none of your business."

"I was arrested and taken to the provost marshal, who, on hearing my story, let me go."—Chicago Record-Herald.

Why 1881 Was Chosen.

In 1881 a so called prophecy of Mother Shipton's was in every one's mouth: The world then to an end shall come In eighteen hundred and eighty-one.

A traveling tailor denied inspiration to this prognostic, nor, as now appears, was it remarkable for accuracy. But he went further. He demonstrated in the dust of the road why that exact date was chosen. Not only was it cancellable, a multiple of nine, etc., but it was the only date available to Mother Shipton which in Arabic numerals was the same backward, forward and upside down. Eleven hundred and eleven was past, and not till 1881 would the coincidence recur. The next Mother Shipton will select 2008, which is not tomorrow or next day.—London Saturday Review.

Translation.

Schubert's well known "Lied des gefangenen Jagers" is a setting of Herder's German translation of Scott's lyric, "My hawk is tired of perch and hood," the second line of which—

My idle greyhound loathes his food— runs in the German as follows: Mein musseger Windhorn sein Futter ver-schmabt.

In by far the largest collection of Schubert's songs published with English words this line appears with the following English text:

My musical woodhorn its futter hath stilled.

Which could only have been perpetrated by some one to whom English and German were equally unknown.—London National Review.

Easy to Keep Afloat.

If every person knew that it is impossible to sink if one keeps his arms under water and moves his legs as if he were going upstairs and that one may keep this motion up for hours before fatigue ends it there would be few casualties. Such is the fact. Except where cramp renders motion impossible the man who gets an involuntary ducking has small chance of drowning. He can generally keep afloat until rescuers appear. The people who drown are those who frantically wave their arms out of water and lose their self possession.

Mathematical Snakes.

Gazing at a collection of serpents at the zoo, the rural visitor observed, "My gracious, those snakes must multiply rapidly!"

With a twinkle in his eye the keeper replied, "Some kinds do, but these particular ones are adders."—Judge's Library.

The Preper Capar.

Ascum—Tell me which is proper. Would you say "It is possible for two to live on \$10 a week" or "on \$10 weekly?" Wise—Well, I'd say "It is possible for two to live on \$10 a week weakly."—Catholic Standard and Times.

Very Mean.

He—I believe that every man should do something to advance scientific knowledge. When I die I shall leave my brain to science. She—Stingy thing.—Judge

We should be surprised not at our good deeds, but our bad ones.—Phil-Ups Brooks.

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