

MISS MOLLIE HOFFER STRUCK BY PASSENGER TRAIN MONDAY.

Mixed Sure Death by Inches as She Crossed Track in Path of Eastbound Train—Savely Injured But Prospects for Recovery.

A quarter second of time was the determining factor between life and death for Miss Mollie Hoffer of Centre Hall, Monday afternoon. As it is she is lying at her home in a critical condition although her life has not been despaired of. The incidents in the fatal accident which befell her are these: Miss Hoffer, in company with her sister, Mrs. J. C. Dale, and Mrs. Kate Conley, had walked to the depot to take the 2:30 eastbound train for Coburn where they expected to attend the funeral of Mrs. A. A. Alexander. Having some time at her disposal Miss Hoffer crossed the double track to get to W. A. Odenkirk's store at which place she delivered a telephone message. As she stepped out of the store the whistle of the train was heard as it passed the "White" station; a point several hundred yards up the track. The distance from the store to the depot is forty or more yards and it was seen by those standing on the station platform that for her to attempt to reach the depot was a hazardous undertaking and several men almost shouted themselves hoarse in warning her of the danger but she went on without heeding their cries. The train was slowing down for the stop and was going at an eight-mile-an-hour rate when Miss Hoffer stepped onto the track right in its path. She succeeded in crossing the second rail but not until the bumper struck her a blow on the back, throwing her forward for a distance of ten or more feet. Fortunately she was thrown alongside the track, missing the heavy baggage truck by a slight margin. When picked up she was unconscious and bleeding at the face. Dr. H. H. Longwell was immediately summoned and in his car he took the hapless lady to her home where her injuries were treated. The physician found the nose split in two, a bone crushed in the skull, right ear partly torn off, flesh wounds about the head, the spine and left arm contused, and the left kidney injured. Until late in the night she remained in an unconscious state and on Tuesday morning revived, showing marked improvement. Three physicians—Dr. H. H. Longwell, Dr. J. R. Barrett, of Pleasant Gap, and her nephew, Dr. P. E. Dale, of State College—are combining their skill to restore Miss Hoffer to health again and if no unforeseen complications develop the prospects for her ultimate recovery are good.

The train which struck Miss Hoffer is known on the local branch as train No. 132, of which William McCullem is the engineer. The engineer was worked up over the accident, the first of the kind to happen in his career as a railroader, but according to a report said to have emanated from a railroad official, the same trip resulted in Harry Davis, a prominent resident of Sunbury, being struck and so badly injured that he died later. Consequently it was a hoodoo day for the blameless engineer.

"State" Expert's Report on Soils in Pa.

Discussing the adaptation of Pennsylvania soils, E. L. Worthen, of the agricultural school faculty of the Pennsylvania State College, spoke as follows: "The soils of Pennsylvania are extremely variable and consequently adapted to a diversified agriculture. The seven soil provinces, which include all the soils in the eastern and central states, are found in Pennsylvania. There is great opportunity for improving our agriculture by better fitting the cropping system to the soil conditions. "Originally all our soils were heavily timbered and as a result they are today deficient in organic matter. This deficiency handicaps our farmers in their competition with the western farmer in the production of grain crops. In general, our soils are deficient in phosphoric acid but well supplied with total potash. The production of the nitrogen-gathering legume crops to be returned to the soil as green manure or as stable manure, after being fed to livestock, is essential to the economic upbuilding of the organic matter and nitrogen. Soil potash will also be made available by this procedure. Phosphoric acid should be applied in liberal amounts, also lime if the soil is acid. "The Pennsylvania State College is not in a position to make chemical analyses of soils for individuals. However, we are always glad to examine samples of farm soils and to report fully as to their crop adaptation and to give what information we have relative to their fertilizer requirements. Before submitting such samples, farmers should apply for directions to be followed in securing representative samples."

New Fall Millinery.

The undersigned wishes to announce that she has just returned from the eastern style centers with an excellent line of fall millinery for ladies and children. She is now ready to serve your needs for fall wear. Mrs. G. M. WOLFE, Spring Mills, Pa. adv.

The Centre Reporter, \$1.50 a year.

THE KORMANS REUNITE.

117 of the clan gathered on Grange Park last Thursday—Permanent Organization Effected and Reunion Will be Yearly Event.

The first reunion of the Korman (originally spelled Kornman) families of Centre county was held on Grange Park, Thursday of last week. The day was an ideal one and representatives of the tribe came from north, east, south, and west. At noon many of the park tables groaned from the abundance of cakes and other eatables they were compelled to bear but healthy appetites soon brought relief. At two o'clock all gathered in the auditorium and Noah Korman of Rebersburg was asked to take charge of affairs for the time being. He said that the honor of calling and making the first reunion of the Kormans a success belongs principally to E. W. Korman of Milesburg. Rev. G. A. Stauffer of Rebersburg spoke of the benefits of such reunions and urged that a meeting be held every year for a while and later one in five years.

To carry out the suggestions of the speaker, which seemed to correspond with the desires of those present, a temporary organization was effected by electing Noah Korman chairman and T. A. Hosterman of Coburn, secretary.

After a discussion of certain matters it was decided to have another reunion next year and a permanent organization was effected by electing Noah Korman, president; W. T. Korman, vice president; C. W. Korman of Milesburg, secretary; and Nathan Korman of Pleasant Gap, treasurer. L. P. Korman of Coburn, Emanuel Korman of Bellefonte, and Lyman O. Korman, of State College were appointed a committee with whom the different families can correspond concerning the time and place for next year's gathering. Harry Korman of Rebersburg, T. A. Hosterman of Coburn, and Irvin Korman of State College were selected as a committee on program.

After these proceedings the president gave a short historical sketch of several branches of the Korman family, and urged that each family send a full report of names and dates of birth to Chas. A. Korman, 622 Security Bank Building, Minneapolis, Minnesota, who is gathering data for a book. The enrollment showed 117 present, besides a number of visitors.

Marriage Licenses.
Samuel H. Gray, Bellefonte
Anne G. Lyor, Bellefonte

Spring Mills.
Mrs. Emma Hszel has been ill.

Quite a number of our people expect to attend the fair at Millor.

Eugene Gramley, a student at State College, spent Sunday at home.

Rev. B. B. Jones took dinner on Sunday at the Robert Musser home.

The cow sale which was to be held on Friday, October 1, has been postponed until Saturday, October 2.

Ralph Lee visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Lee, for a few days.

The W. T. C. U. will meet in the Penn Hall Lutheran church on Wednesday, October 6, at 2 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Brian have the sympathy of the community, having lost their little boy, Earl, who died on Friday night of diphtheria.

John Myers and family autored to Bellwood on Saturday and spent Sunday there with relatives. They were accompanied by Mrs. Myers Hunt, Mrs. Stover, also by her brother, William Morris.

Linden Hall.
J. H. Ross and family motored to Altoona Sunday where they spent the day with friends.

Daniel Goodlander has charge of the local depot while Station Agent Ishler is off on a two weeks' vacation.

Floyd, a little son of Charles Johnsonbaugh, while playing at school fell and broke his arm on Friday.

A. P. Wieland came up from Harrisburg Tuesday to visit his son, Donald, who is a freshman at State and to spend a short time with other relatives.

Mr. D. M. Campbell, who has been ill almost all summer, is improving slowly.

Miss Arline Gingerich went to Reading last week where she entered the City hospital to train for a nurse.

Harvey Houtz of Toledo, Ohio, is visiting his brother and sisters here and at Boalsburg.

Centre Hill.
Miss Lulu Hosterman, who had been a visitor at the Robert Smith home, returned home on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Colyer were visitors at the Lloyd Smith home on Sunday.

Messrs. Daniel Roseman and Charles Foust have been on the sick list.

Misses Stella Hosterman and Mary Byers visited Mr. and Mrs. William Bower and family on Sunday.

The most of the farmers here are through seeding and have commenced to cut their corn.

Formal installation services for the Rev. Dr. George Edward Hawes, formerly of Bellefonte, pastor-elect for Market Square Presbyterian church, at Harrisburg, will take place in that church Friday evening.

LOCALS

F. P. Gray spent a few days beginning of this week at the home of his parents in Newport.

Miss Mabel Arney left on Monday for Pittsburgh where she will spend some time with friends.

Robert W. Bloom on Tuesday finished cutting off corn, being the first farmer in this section through with that work.

Prof. T. D. Marshman of State College will preach in the local Presbyterian church Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

D. W. Bradford is attending the Somerset county fair, representing the interest of the De Laval Separator Company.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Gregg of Altoona attended the funeral of the latter's sister, Miss Alda Sankey, at this place, Thursday.

To my patrons—I will be in Centre Hall next week with a nice line of samples of hosiery for fall and winter wear.

Mrs. C. E. ROYER.

Miss Esther Pennington of State College spent a few days last week at the home of her brother, C. W. Pennington, in this place.

Mr. and Mrs. John A. Mariz and children leave this week for Phoenixville where they will spend a short time among the Centre county people living in that locality.

Capt. W. E. Fry of Pine Grove Mills is visiting the stamping grounds of a half century ago when he wore the blue, at Fredericksburg, Wilderness, Bull Run, Chancellorsville, etc.

Tomorrow (Friday) is the last day on which you may receive five per cent. discount on your road and school tax. Might as well pocket that sum by paying your tax before that time.

Mr. James O. Shearer and son James of Scranton, after spending a few weeks at the home of Merchant and Mr. C. F. Emery, returned to their home on Saturday. Mr. Shearer was at one time mayor of Millor.

The Epworth League of the Centre Hall Methodist Episcopal church will have an unusually interesting meeting on Sunday evening. Everybody is extended a most cordial invitation to be present at that meeting. Come and bring your friends.

Harvey Houtz, for thirty-two years a resident of Toledo, is the guest of his sister, Mrs. Samuel Gingerich, near Centre Hall, and of course will visit other relatives and friends while here. He is a railroad engineer and runs on the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern railroad.

On Monday morning William McClenahan sold the "Cole 5" touring car, into which he came possession a little over a week ago, to Moschin Brothers, brewers at Sunbury. Mr. McClenahan received a check in the amount of \$1050 for the car. Surely a big return on a dollar investment.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Booser, daughter, Miss Elizabeth, son, Shannon, and Capt. G. M. Boal will leave this (Thursday) morning in the Booser car for Philadelphia, going by way of Reading where Mr. Boal will terminate his trip and spend some time with his daughter, Mrs. C. H. Meyer.

Merchant E. W. Kresmer reached the age of seventy-eight years on Tuesday. He spent a full day in the store waiting upon the large trade which the Kresmer firm enjoys. Mr. Kresmer's clean habits and regular life have caused advanced age to come on gracefully and consequently he presents the appearance of a man much younger in years.

Penns Valley farmers are harvesting only a half crop of potatoes. In some places the yield was only forty bushels to the acre. Blight, which struck the vines early in the season, is the cause of the failure. A singular feature is that where potatoes were planted in the various lots in the borough the yield was fully up to the average of other years.

Tuesday morning Mrs. and Mr. J. H. Detwiler of near Centre Hall; Mrs. Perry Shook of Spring Mills; and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Roush of Harrisburg, left for Berrien Springs, Michigan, where they will spend a short time visiting friends and in sight-seeing. From there they will go to Lexington, Kentucky, and attend the state fair at that place. They will be gone for two weeks or more.

Saturday afternoon Mrs. Wallace White of Axe Mann was brought by her husband to the office of Dr. H. H. Longwell for treatment for pelvic trouble and on the way suffered such excruciating pain that she was in a serious condition upon arriving at the physician's home. It was impossible to remove her to her home until the following day. An operation will be performed today (Thursday) by Dr. Longwell.

The hunting season for squirrel, pheasants and wild turkeys is only two weeks off and for the benefit of those hunters who have been misled regarding the limit on wild turkey, the Reporter wishes to say that the legal limit for the season is two turkeys instead of one. Several months ago the game laws were published in nearly all the papers and the limit on wild turkeys was given as one a season. It is unlawful to kill more than one a day, however.

LOCALS

Messrs. Richard Krumline and Payllis Johnstonbaugh of near Boalsburg spent Sunday with relatives at State College.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Smith and Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Bradford made an auto trip to Altoona Saturday, returning on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry F. Hubler of Lock Haven were arrivals at the home of the former's parents in this place Wednesday, where they spent the day.

Miss Helen Cooney, who spent the summer with her friend, Miss Lena Breor, near Centre Hall, returned to her home in Altoona Wednesday.

C. D. Decker and son Ray have a concession at the Milton fair this week and at the close will attend the Bloomsburg and Lewisburg fairs.

Wednesday morning a hoar frost greeted the early riser. Temperature was below the freezing point, and vegetation consequently suffered.

Potters Mills.
Mrs. Armstrong is not improving.

W. W. McCormick and M. N. Miller are on the sick list.

Mr. George Boal is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Lingle, in Union county.

Joseph Carson made a business trip to Bellefonte Saturday.

Samuel and Frank McCoy of Philadelphia visited their father for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Thomas returned home after spending a week in New York.

Boyd Smith is lending a helping hand on the Miller farm.

Mr. Roland Fout of Altoona is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Bitner.

Roy Smith was fortunate enough to see two fine deer grazing in Mr. McCoy's alfalfa patch.

The corpse of Miss Alda Sankey passed through here on Thursday. The auto carrying the friends broke down near here, but with the help of Jesse McClenahan all arrived at Centre Hall where the burial took place.

Bitterness is a shortener of human lives. It dries up the generous juices of youth, produces wrinkles and drives away those who would be friendly.

Sale Right—
FRIDAY, MARCH 31ST—T. E. Royer, at Sprucecreek church, will sell lot of live stock.

ESTRAY NOTICE—Red heifer, about two years old, strayed from pasture during the summer; will pay charges for keeping. Please notify C. P. LONG, Spring Mills, Pa. 28.040

EVEN FLOWERS MUST LABOR

Nature Demands Its Toll From Every Living Thing, and Accepts No Excuses.

However fine and dainty a flower may look, it is pressed to do a great service and its colors and forms are all suited to its work. It must bring forth the fruit, or the continuity of plant life will be broken and the earth will be turned into a desert ere long.

The color and the smell of the flower are all for some purpose, therefore, no sooner is it fertilized by the bee, no sooner does the time of its fruition arrive, than it sheds its exquisite petals and a cruel economy compels it to give up its sweetest perfume. It has no time to flaunt its finery, for it is busy beyond measure.

Viewed from without, necessity seems to be the only factor in Nature, for which everything works and moves. There the bud develops into the flower, the flower into the fruit, the fruit into the seed, the seed into a new plant again, and so forth, the chain of activity running on unbroken. Should there crop up any disturbance or impediment, no excuse would be accepted and the unfortunate thing so choked in its movement would at once be labeled as rejected, and be bound to die and disappear post haste.

In the great office of Nature there are innumerable departments with endless work going on, and the fine flower that you behold there, gaudily attired and scented like a dandy, is by no means what it appears to be, but rather is like a laborer toiling in the sun and shower, who has to submit a clear account of his work, and has no breathing space to enjoy himself in a playful frolic.—Rabindranath Tagore, in the Atlantic Monthly.

MAIL CLERK UTTERS PROTEST

Wall Should Appeal to Those Who Have Habit of Pinning Their Written Sheets Together.

"If people must stick pins into their letters, I wish they would cover up the points so that they wouldn't push through," said a mail clerk whose hands were disfigured by tiny scratches. "I must get about a hundred digs a day from pins that systematic folks use to hold their correspondence together. I never could make out, anyhow, why so many letters need to be finished off with a pin.

"Of course, I understand that about half of those written by women have a postscript in the shape of samples of dress goods or newspaper cuttings, which perhaps require a pin or two to hold them in place, but even that habit cannot account for the large number of letters that come through the post-office with a pin sticking out of one corner.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Letters of administration on the estate of Peter Smith, late of Potter Township, deceased.

Letters of administration on the above estate having been duly granted to the undersigned, they would respectfully request all persons knowing themselves indebted to the estate to make immediate payment, and those having claims against the same to present them duly authenticated for settlement.

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Spring Mills, Pa.

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