



CYCLONIC WIND STORM PLAYS HAVOC IN UPPER PENNS VALLEY, SUNDAY

Barns Demolished, Many Buildings Unroofed--Trees and Orchards Ruined in Worst Storm on Record. --Storm's Fury Subsides After Passing Centre Hill.

The most destructive wind storm to visit this region passed over the valley Sunday afternoon, demolishing completely several large farm barns in this vicinity, unroofing others, and twisted and tore from roots ornamental trees and ruined a large portion of a 100-acre orchard of young apple trees.

The storm began its destruction at State College and its path of ruin ended at Centre Hill, about twelve miles due east. At Centre Hill a large farm barn and straw shed were almost completely demolished and all the outbuildings on the place badly damaged. The place is owned and occupied by Lloyd R. Smith, who has lived there for a number of years. The large straw shed and the outbuildings were new and were erected only a few years ago by Mr. Smith. The barn proper, while erected many years ago, was well constructed and in good repair. The timbers were scattered over several acres. Many of the rafters and heavier pieces of timber were broken and made useless for rebuilding. The loss to Mr. Smith is very heavy--not less than \$4000.

Several hundred feet east of this barn is located the farm buildings on what has long been known as the Runkle farm, and later as the James B. Strohm farm, owned by James C. Goodhart. The roof of the barn was entirely removed and considerable other damage done. There is exceptionally heavy timber in this structure, which probably was a factor in preventing its complete destruction, or perhaps the force of the wind had been partially broken by striking the Smith barn. The Goodhart barn was the last mark to the east left by the storm's path.

The barn and straw shed on the Walker farm, a short distance west of Fine Station school house, along the Erush Valley road leading west from Centre Hall, was also completely wrecked. The Walker farm was sold by William Walker to Morris A. Burkholder, he having taken possession on April 1st, but continued to live as tenant on the A. H. Spayd farm, at Earlstown. The loss to Mr. Burkholder will be keenly felt. The farm house, a brick structure, standing east of the barn, was but slightly damaged. Much of the light timber was carried over the house into a field.

West of this place, the barn on the Feilding farm, recently acquired by Wallace W. White, was totally wrecked. Although the structure had been built many years ago and was more or less showing the effects of time, but for the storm it would have given ample service for many years to come. The water is informed that Mr. White contemplates building an entirely new barn.

East of the White farm the roof was ripped from the barn on the Henry Potter farm, and other damage done to the structure. Ira Whitman lives on this place.

The barn on the William Brooks farm, tenanted by his son, Guy Brooks, and located but a short distance west of the Burkholder place was unroofed. This is one of the oldest structures in that vicinity, having been the Major Neff homestead. The gables of the barn are built of stone.

To the east and slightly north of the Burkholder place a barn was partially unroofed. The place is owned by Clyde E. Dutton, of Centre Hall, and tenanted by his son-in-law, Raymond Walker.

Richard Brooks, who owns and occupies the Christ Houser farm, had a rather peculiar loss. A portion of the barn roof was removed. A stack of boards at his saw mill nearby was chased all through the woods, much of it broken and split, rendering it unfit for use.

The A. H. Spayd farm barn was partially unroofed. One of the flying timbers struck a cow belonging to Mr. Burkholder, the tenant, and killed her. Another animal was slightly injured.

At Oak Hill Station the roof was ripped from the barn owned by Harry Wagner.

There were many farm barns and sheds in the path of the storm damaged to a comparatively light extent. Probably the most serious was to that of the barn on the Charles Miller farm, near Colyer. The small barn where William R. Neff lives was slightly shifted from the foundation. The roof on the R. M. Smith barn narrowly escaped being carried off. Most of the rafters were torn loose. These barns and west of the Lloyd Smith place.

Small Damage at State College.

The first reports from State College were greatly exaggerated. It was later ascertained that the only damage done there was to the Keller Garage, a pretentious stone structure, located along the State highway immediately east of the borough limits. The damage done there was to the roof of the building. Trees on the college campus were uprooted and much damage was done to a 100-acre apple orchard, the trees in which are all young.

Edward Watkins and his 8-year-old boy were badly hurt when their house at Milbrook, a mile east of State College, was blown across the road. The

house, a frame structure, was turned completely over. Watkins was seated by a stove in the living room with his five children. Four of them escaped uninjured, but the stove was hurled against Watkins, puncturing his back and injuring him internally. Mrs. Watkins, who had been visiting a neighbor, found him unconscious and her 8-year-old son seriously hurt upon her return.

Near Lemont a portion of the roof on the J. G. Klingner farm house was torn away, and other minor damage done. A large section of the roof removed was parked on top of a large tree standing nearby.

Mifflin County Hard Hit.

The following dispatch was sent to the dailies from Lewistown, describing the havoc in Mifflin county:

A severe wind storm struck the Kishacoquillas Valley late Sunday afternoon and left a streak of wreckage 300 feet wide by several miles long. No loss of life, so far as known, resulted, but property damage in Belleville on a nearby farm will exceed \$500,000.

The wind followed close in the wake of a heavy electrical and rain storm. Buildings were torn and twisted and in many cases destroyed entirely. Fire resulted from the storm and the village of Belleville was menaced until late in the evening, when the Lewistown fire department, which made a record run through debris-filled roads to render assistance to the stricken town, placed it under control.

The Belleville flour mill, owned by Fultz & Mertz, was set on fire by a short-circuited electric wire and with their valuable machinery, installed only a few months ago, following another fire, and their contents, including 20,000 bushels of grain, 1300 barrels of flour and 200 tons of feed, were destroyed, with a loss of \$100,000.

Storm damage was confined largely to the eastern section of the village. The home of Jefferson Hostetter was wrecked, the storehouse of Hertzler & Zook, 20 by 50 feet, was razed and much damage done to the machinery it contained. The house and barn were unroofed at the Sol Byler farm and Banks Sausman's barn and garage were blown away. At the home of Sherman Steele the front of the house was blown out and the furniture was blown out and the furniture moved from the second floor.

The homes of James F. Willis and Elizabeth McClintic were wrecked, while just across the street, that of Joe Young was not damaged. At the home of W. B. McClay, shade trees were torn from their roots, windows blown out and the outbuildings wrecked. The Kishacoquillas Valley Railroad shops were blown down and the two locomotives that constitute the power equipment are under the wreckage.

George and John Carson's barns were unroofed; that of Katy Hertzler was unroofed and the house demolished, while I. T. Hertzler's home was badly damaged. R. K. Boder's house and garage were unroofed and his office was blown clear of the foundation and turned completely around.

Sold New Dodge Cars.

Walter R. Hosterman, the local Dodge dealer and garageman, recently sold new cars to the following parties: P. V. Goodhart, a Dodge coach; E. M. Huyett, a special coupe; John Dutton, special touring; H. J. Markle, of Pleasant Gap, a delivery truck; Clement Luss, Centre Hall, special sedan; John Zerby, of Centre Hall, R. D., touring.

Auction Sale at Melsa's Store.

An auction sale will be held at the G. R. Melsa store at Colyer, on Saturday evening of this week, when a large assortment of candies, etc., will be sold to the highest bidder. Come early. Everybody invited.

Red Cross Help Cross Boy.

Once again the Red Cross has taken a hand in attempting to secure a better chance for a small boy. At the request of Mrs. G. S. Frank, chairman of the Mifflin Branch of the State College Chapter of the American Red Cross, the chapter was instrumental in getting hospital and surgical care for Marlin Kerstetter, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Kerstetter, of Coburn. Mrs. J. Ben Hill, chapter chairman, took Marlin to the Jefferson hospital in Philadelphia, where Dr. Rugh, who conducted an orthopedic clinic in State College several years ago, performed an operation which it is hoped will restore the little boy's foot to normal. Marlin will have to remain in the hospital several weeks.

No Bonus for Rejected Men.

Men who were drafted for service during the world war but not accepted by the army because of physical disability are not entitled to the \$50 bonus granted by Congress. Comptroller McClari ruled in a case brought by Ard B. Crutchfield, of Raleigh, N. C. The comptroller declared Crutchfield, who was discharged 24 days after induction, had not served within the meaning of the law.

ANNUAL SPRING TRACK MEET

Centre County Inter-Scholastic Athletic Association Track Meet at State College, Saturday, May 2nd.

Five years ago a group of teachers believing in the value of developing youth through group activity organized the Centre County Track and Field Association. They knew that no interscholastic enterprise could be more conducive in calling to the fore principles of fair play, earnest endeavor, courage and friendliness toward the "enemy" than track and field competition. That they were justified in this opinion is evidenced by the fact that the fifth annual meet will be held this year and that more enthusiasm, greater interest, and better management are on tap than ever before.

The association last fall selected an able leader in the person of F. B. Bennett of Spring Mills. In a very businesslike manner he has carefully planned the work and assigned the details to committees. On March 28 the executive committee met with an attendance of fourteen and transacted the business necessary for promoting this year's meet.

To inform every school uniformly of what has been done and planned, the secretary has prepared a summary of information which may be useful in planning for the meet, a copy of which follows:

Date--May 2, 1925, 1:30 P. M.

Place--New Beaver Field, State College.

List of events with last year's records:

CLASS A.
Boys--100 yd. dash, 16.6 sec.; 220 yd. dash, 23.4 sec.; 440 yd. dash, 55 seconds; 1/2 mile run, 2m. 15.5 sec.; mile run, 5m. 19 sec.; mile relay; shot put (8 lb.) 48 ft., 4 in.; discus, 95 ft., 17 in.; javelin, 127 ft., 4 in.; high jump, 5 ft., 2 in.; broad jump, 19 ft., 6 in.
Girls--50 yd. dash, 6.7 sec.; 1/2 mile relay, 2m. 7 sec.; broad jump (standing), 7 ft., 3 in.; baseball throw, 353 ft., 6 in.

CLASS B.
Boys--100 yd. dash, 11.5 sec.; 220 yd. dash, 26.1 sec.; 440 yd. dash, 1m. 16 sec.; half-mile run, 2m. 13 sec.; mile run, 6m. 17.5 sec.; mile relay; shot put (8 lb.) 45 ft., 3 in.; high jump, 4 ft., 3 in.; broad jump, 17 ft.; baseball throw, 318 ft., 2 in.
Girls--50 yd. dash, 7.2 sec.; 1/2 mile relay, 2m. 16.5 sec.; broad jump (standing), 6 ft. 10 in.; baseball throw, 178 ft., 7 in.

The above list of events was adapted on motion by the executive committee on March 28. All relay teams are comprised of four contestants.

Each school should furnish a list of entrants, this list to be in the hands of the program committee by April 22. E. H. Weik is chairman of this committee. A fee of 25c for each entrant must accompany this list. No one will be allowed to contest in the meet whose name has not previously been regularly entered.

Points will be scored as in previous years--5, 3, and 1, for first, second, and third places respectively. Boys' and girls' points shall be counted separately in Class A, together in Class B.

Belleville, Centre Hall, Mifflin, Philipsburg, Spring Mills, and State College constitute Class A; all other schools are in Class B.

Three new team trophy cups will be provided this year. Small cups will be awarded at the fall meeting to suspend the giving of medals this year for the sake of improving the financial situation. Attractive ribbons will be awarded so that contestants will have something to show for successful efforts. In many county meets ribbons or buttons are given annually rather than medals. Most school men realize that medals are not essential to a good meet, but that the meet itself is the thing. Boys and girls, however, may need a little education along this line and in most cases a frank explanation of the situation will satisfy them.

Following are the committees:

Program--Mr. Weik, State College; Mr. Erdley, Mr. Hackenburg, Mr. Yearick, Mr. Dale.

Medals and awards--Mr. Stock, Belleville; Mr. Beink, Mrs. Swartz, Mr. Heckman, Mr. Helman.
Judges--Mr. Payne, Belleville; Mr. Mr. Baird, Mr. Fry, Mr. Blough, Kressler.

Financing and policing--Mr. Hayes, State College; Mr. Pletcher, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Hosterman, Mr. Elden.

There will be no preliminaries in the morning.

Boys teams may dress in the armory.

Entrance Exams at Spring Mills.

Entrance examinations will be held in the eighth grade room of the Vocational school building, Spring Mills, on Friday afternoon and Saturday, April 24th and 25th.

S. S. Leaders to Meet.

The Pennsylvania State Sabbath School Association will hold its annual Christian Leaders' Conference at Juniata College, Huntingdon, Thursday, Friday and Saturday of next week. The nature of the conference will be three-fold--Leadership Training, Church Vocation Schools, Week-Day Religious Instruction.

The public sale of personal property mostly household goods, held on Saturday by Prof. W. O. Heckman, was largely attended and goods brought very fair prices. The Ford sedan was purchased by D. C. Mitterling for \$302. E. M. Smith was the auctioneer, and although the bidding did not lag, it took a lot of talking by him.

SAYS CONFESSION A JOKE.

Farm Hand at Reedsville Held for Murder Committed Two Years Ago in Lancaster County.

Warrants from Lancaster county resulting in the arrest of Mike Furlong, alias William Russell, alias Mike Polony, alias Mike Maloney, at Lewistown, Thursday of last week, on a charge of murdering Jacob Hurter, whose body was found in a cornfield near Vintage, October 8, 1922. Local authorities went to Lewistown to take him to Lancaster. The warrants were issued on the strength of a confession the man is said to have made to Walter Worrell, of Reedsville.

Worrell reported the so-called confession several days ago, telling the Lewistown police force that Furlong had said his conscience hurt him. According to the authorities there, Furlong declared the "confession" was a joke after he had been placed in the Lewistown jail to await the arrival of the warrants.

The prisoner has been working for some time in the section surrounding Reedsville where the arrest was made, and was "budding" with Worrell at the time he is alleged to have confessed the crime. The body of Hurter, with a bullet hole above the heart, was found in a cornfield along the Lincoln Highway between Vintage and Kinzer. An extensive investigation by police revealed no trace of the supposed murderer and the matter was dropped until the recent developments from Lewistown.

Husband Follows Wife to the Grave.

Frank W. Musser, a life-long resident of the vicinity of Belleville, died at his late home south of Belleville Saturday morning, April 11, following a short illness of grippe. He was the son of John and Nancy Jane Baird Musser and was born in the home in which he died, December 21st, 1857, making his age 67 years, 3 months and 20 days. Mr. Musser was a farmer and enjoyed the friendship of many who mourn his demise. He was united in marriage to Miss Blanche Dale, whose death he recorded last week, and who died Tuesday morning, April 7th, four days previous to Mr. Musser's death. Besides his step-mother, Mrs. Sarah Jane Musser, of Belleville, he is survived by the following children: George, of Middletown, N. Y.; Robert, of Griffith, Ga.; and Malcolm, at home. Two sisters, Mrs. M. A. Kirk, of Belleville, and Mrs. Daniel R. Smith, of Clearfield, and one half-sister, Miss Katherine Musser, of Belleville. Funeral services were held from his late home Monday morning, April 13, at 10 o'clock, by the Rev. W. E. Thompson, pastor of the Presbyterian church of Belleville, officiating. Interment was made by the side of his wife in the family plot in the Union cemetery.

MANY ATTRACTIONS FOR LEWISTOWN CELEBRATION

Within a few weeks 50,000 pieces of advertising matter will be distributed telling the world that Lewistown, the city along the Blue Juniata, in Mifflin county, Pa., will have an Old Home Week, June 23 to July 4, 1925. The invitation committee is at work, but formal invitation is not necessary for everyone, both old and young, will be welcome to help Lewistown celebrate her biggest event when she will be host to thousands back to visit the "Old Home Town" and other thousands of friends attracted by the elaborate preparations now under way to entertain her guests.

A "tent city" of 1,000 tents will be available for the accommodation of visitors during Old Home Week and the will be rented at a nominal cost to those who care to spend the week out-of-doors. The Hotel and Housing Committee will have accommodations for thousands of visitors in the hotels and private homes of the city, but they are planning the "tent city" to care for additional thousands who are planning to attend. For the visitors who expect to bring their own camping equipment the Kiwanis Tourist Camp site will be free of charge under capable management.

Sunday, June 28, will be Religious Day; Monday, Civic and Commercial Day, in charge of the Entertainment and Hospitality Committee; Tuesday, Old Home Day; Wednesday, Firemen's Day; Thursday, Fraternal Day; Friday, Industrial Day; and Saturday, July 4, Military Day. The Historical Pageant, depicting Mifflin county history from 1752 to 1925, will be presented Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, and Military Day will see the reunion of the Fifth Regiment Spanish-American War veterans Association.

The entire city will do her gala gear for the week a contract having been let for the decoration of the streets. Market street will be the main way, lined by blocks with amusement, eating and advertising booths. As the date approaches every one of the 21 special committees making arrangements for the event are up and at work to make their part of the "big time" live up to Lewistown's reputation for open hearted hospitality and generous entertainment.

The greater part of the oats and barley crop has been sown; much of it more than a week ago.

Just one more week in April, the first thirty-day month in the year.

W. C. Sweetwood, a Los Angeles, California, booster of his home city, writes the Reporter that California is having cool spring weather and lots of rain, making everybody happy.

BEACON LIGHT FOR NITTANY MOUNTAIN

Light Now In Storage at Centre Hall Post Office--To Light Way for Mail Planes.

A beacon light was received by Postmaster R. M. Smith from the aerial mail service, department a few days ago. The postmaster was instructed to store it until a representative of the department would appear who would install it on Nittany Mountain to light the way to the field east of Belleville.

Similar beacon lights to that to be erected at Centre Hall will be placed at Glen Iron and Mifflinburg. At Sunbury a 500,000 candle power will be used to light a beacon and illuminate the outline of the field, the latter requiring about one-half the lighting power.

The new hangar and other buildings on the Belleville field are now about 70 per cent completed and it is expected they will be ready for use on May 15th. The contracts with the Bell Telephone company and the Keystone Power company are already completed. Plans are now under way for the installation of one of the largest electric lights in the world. This light will be of one-half billion candle power. There are only three more such lights in the United States. They will be stationed at Cleveland, Omaha and New York.

Work is now in progress for the building of 29 emergency fields between New York and Cleveland. These fields are to be 17 miles apart. 400 men are being used in the construction of the fields.

The field which is expected to be used at the Belleville field has been imported from France. It contains what is known as the Freshnel lens, especially designed for aiding night flying. This immense light which will flood the field is so constructed that the rays will reach only a height of six feet, and will not blind the pilot of a landing ship. The glass alone for these lens cost the U. S. government \$4,800. Night flying in this section is scheduled to begin June 1st, but due to unforeseen delays may not be started before July 1st.

World Wide Boy Week.

"It is our happy privilege and inexpressible obligation to know our boys, to have sympathy for their problems, to excuse their mistakes and to encourage their efforts," Governor Pinchot said a few days ago in a statement of the world-wide observance of Boys' Week, April 28 to May 2. "It is obvious that the boy of today is the man of tomorrow and that as that man is so shall the world of tomorrow be: clean, faithful, intelligent, aspiring, or mean, cowardly, ignorant and despairing."

"What is not so obvious is that what the boy is today so shall the man be tomorrow. We cannot wait until our boys are men before we take serious thought of them."

"Therefore, I earnestly urge every citizen of Pennsylvania to accept this opportunity and to participate in the program of Boys' Week; to give of their thought, their time and, if need be, their money, to make the occasion significant alike to the adults and to the boys; to the end that our citizenship may widen its service, deepen its virtue and extend its vision."

Youth Sets Forest Afire.

Having pleaded guilty to setting a forest afire which destroyed between 500 and 600 acres of forest land, Dalbert Eyer, 15-year-old Mt. Zion lad, is being held under \$500 bail for court in Clinton county. The lad was arrested at his home. He confessed, of course, to setting fire on Shaw mountain which spread in Nippenose valley, causing heavy damage. He also said that he set two other fires last fall. His reason for doing this, he is alleged to have stated, was because "he liked to see them burn."

Models of 1925.

Johnnie Getz, quiet of manner and jovial of speech, who has one of the leading roles in George E. Wintz's superb musical comedy, "Models of 1925," which will hold the boards of Moose Temple Theatre, Belleville, on Tuesday night, April 28th, is probably one of the best known comedians on the American stage. Mr. Getz's experience has probably taken him into more and various roles than any comedian now before the American public. Mr. Getz is the picture of good humor. When he beams upon you, you beam back, you just can't help it. And that is the way with the audience out front.

Mr. Getz started in the show business when he was thirteen years old. His family did not approve of his lofty aspirations, so he ran away from home. He hit for the circus. He began his stellar and glorious career as an acrobat, a clown and general sawdust Indian with the mighty aggregation of world's greatest wonders, Poge O'Brien's One-Ring Circus. He then drifted into minstrelsy and vaudeville, and was finally engaged to create the comedy role in several Broadway musical shows. Mr. Getz has also established himself as a motion picture actor and his humor registers just as effectively on the silver screen as it does on the speaking stage. His role in "Models of 1925" gives him ample scope and a real advantage to show his whimsical and natural humor. Prices, 50c, \$1, \$1.50 and \$2 plus tax. Seats on sale at the Mott Drug Co., Friday.

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TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

Twenty babies were baptized in the Reedsville Lutheran church by Rev. Clair R. James, on Easter morning.

Mrs. James H. McCool, who underwent an operation at the Centre County hospital, is improving nicely at her home in Centre Hall.

Newton Crawford and Harry Gross will play ball with the Belleville team this season, the former as a first baseman, and the latter in the pitcher's box.

"America," the wonderful moving picture depicting the big periods in American history, should be seen by every one, both young and old. At Moose Temple Theatre, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, April 24 and 25.

N. B. Spangler formally announces himself a candidate for judge of the county courts in this issue of the Reporter. The Democratic candidates, announced and prospective, have had long experience at the bar. Mr. Spangler probably leading by several years.

James H. Smetzier and William E. Tate, both Civil War veterans, on Friday went to Belleville. Mr. Smetzier went on to Altoona for a day or two, and Mr. Tate, after attending to a bit of business in the county seat, returned home.

Appointments announced this week by the State Highway Department include Eugene R. Brooks, of State College; John W. Morris, of Philipsburg, or chairman; Forrest F. Homan, of State College, and Raymond Brooks, of Pleasant Gap, as assistant inspectors, and J. Thompson Henry, of Martha Furnace, as an inspector.

Miss Mildred Duck was elected a teacher in the Price public school, in the Yeagerstown district. Miss Duck is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Duck, of Lewistown, but has spent much of her time with her aunt, Mrs. W. E. Lee, at Potters Mills. She received her training for teaching at the Central State Normal, Lock Haven.

A Dodge coach was purchased by P. V. Goodhart through the Walter Hosterman agency. The Dodge coupe driven by him for several years will be converted into a truck for hauling furniture and will take the place of the Ford truck used for that purpose for a number of years. The truck body will be built by Mr. Gingerich, at Balsburg.

The Reitz Brothers of Sunbury, contractors for the road over Nittany Mountain, were here since the contracts were signed and state that work will be commenced as soon as the road machinery and other supplies can be gotten here. One of the big problems in building concrete road, is to secure an abundance of water when the concrete is laid. There are three or four sources of water, but all of them might be less than needed at a critical time.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin S. Meyer, of Altoona, were in Centre Hall the latter part of last week, having come here to see Mrs. Meyer's mother, Mrs. Sarah Stover, who has been ill for some time. Mr. Meyer is a lumber inspector for the P. R. R. company. He is taking an interest in educational matters and has arranged for the entrance of his son in Penn State, next fall. A daughter, a graduate of the Altoona High school, is a student at Centre State Normal, Lock Haven, having been admitted as a junior.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Kerlin and son Frank, and son-in-law, H. E. Eshleman, last week were at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Jordan, at Colyer, and while the male portion of the party whipped the trout streams, Mrs. Kerlin enjoyed herself otherwise. Mr. Kerlin is a government employee at New Cumberland, holding the position of store-keeper in the quartermaster's corps. The junior Mr. Kerlin is one of the teachers in the Camp Curtin (Harrisburg) High school, and Mr. Eshleman is a representative of the Burroughs Adding Machine company.

In a news item in the Keystone Gazette-mention is made that the Presbyterian church in Belleville is being decorated and that the congregation will be obliged to spend about \$4000 to reinforce one of the main walls of the church that is showing signs of giving away, and further state the vacancy caused by the resignation of Horatio Moore as trustee was filled by electing W. Harrison Walker to the position, who will be a very valuable acquisition to the church management, and the congregation is very happy in boldly meeting and successfully overcoming difficulties that could only be accomplished by the united, willing and working congregation.

A Ford roadster parked in front of the business place of undertaker and furniture dealer P. V. Goodhart, on Friday night and Saturday, created suspicion on the part of Mr. Goodhart, and to relieve his feelings the incident was reported to the State police at Belleville, who came on and looked over and through the car with the result that papers were found in it having the name of C. N. Hoekman on them. Mr. Hoekman was called at the baby chick hatchery and when apprized of the fact, said he parked at that place Friday evening because the gas tank had been on and his way up town when, fire--the gas was all--and they resorted to the old and good style of locomotion.