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WAS LOCK HAVEN BEER FOR WORLD SERIES GAMES?

Barreled Beer Seized Saturday Was Consigned to "Jones Developing and Smith Construction" Companies at Pittsburgh.

With the arrival in Lock Haven of two federal prohibition enforcement men from the Pittsburgh office to investigate the source of two carloads of barreled beer which was seized early Friday morning by Sheriff T. Roy Hanna, it has become known that the freight papers covering the shipment were made out in the name of the "Lock Haven Supply Company." Thus far the identity of this "company" has not been ascertained.

One of the cars, containing 115 barrels of beer, was consigned to the "Jones Construction Company," at Pittsburgh. The other, which contained 102 barrels, was consigned to the "Smith Developing company," also at Pittsburgh. A lot of thirteen barrels which had not been removed from a truck when the raid was made was apparently intended to complete the load for the latter car.

Sheriff Hanna believes that the big shipment, valued at about \$7,000, was intended for use during the world series baseball games at Pittsburgh.

The Pittsburgh representatives of the federal prohibition enforcement office upon their arrival in Lock Haven immediately began an investigation.

At the office of the Chrystal brewery, from which the beer was alleged to have come, a statement was issued to the effect that the company had nothing to do with the affair.

The Seven Mountain Road.

There is much speculation of just what the State Highway Department has in mind with regard to the building of the road over the Seven Mountains. Hope has again been raised that the road will be built from the fact that several men connected with the State Highway Department have been over the two routes surveyed, and that unofficial statements were made warranting the conclusion that the road when built would be by the way of Cox's Valley to the famous Walter Garrity place, striking the Macadam road at the Foust place, and continuing on it.

The road through Cox's Valley leaves the State Highway at the bridge at the foot of Long Mountain, and continues in a general way over what is known as the "Old Pike" close by Laurel Run to Garrity's, near which is the head of the creek. This route is eight thousand feet longer than the present route, but instead of the heavy grade encountered over Long Mountain, the new route would have a water grade—no over three per cent.

A preliminary survey was also made from the Foust place around Sand Mountain striking the Macadam again on the upper side of the State House, where lives ranger-fire warden William F. McKinney. The diversion from the original road appears not to be looked upon with favor.

In the survey made over the State Highway as now built, provision is made for an easier and more graceful curve to take the place of the Horse Shoe Curve, or the "Devil's Elbow," which latter name originated with the advent of the auto car. There are also many other minor changes.

There seems to be a general impression that a concrete pavement will be built from Milroy to the bridge at the foot of Long Mountain and that in the meantime one of the two routes given above will be adopted.

NOT NECESSARY TO BE INTOXICATED TO BREAK DRIVING LAW

Judge Whitehead Points Out That Man Who Has Taken One Drink May Be Under the Influence, and Guilty, Although Not Drunk.

Judge Harvey W. Whitehead, in sentencing a defendant in the Lycoming county court for driving an automobile while intoxicated, stated that an operator of a motor vehicle does not necessarily have to be intoxicated to be guilty of violation of the law. He continued by stating that the law specifies the driver must not be "under the influence of liquor."

One drink, the court said, might cause a driver to be slower in thinking and acting and would therefore cause a man to be under the influence which is a violation of the state law. He further stated that a man is under the influence of anything that changes him from a normal condition even in the slightest degree and that one drink may influence the driver of a car.

The attorney representing the defendant had stated that fine out of every ten motorists on the highways today do not know it is a violation of the law to take several drinks and then enter an automobile and drive it. Judge Whitehead took exception to this statement and replied that if the thousands of motorists whom the defendant's counsel claimed were not aware they were making themselves liable to arrest, did not know better, they should become familiar with the law.

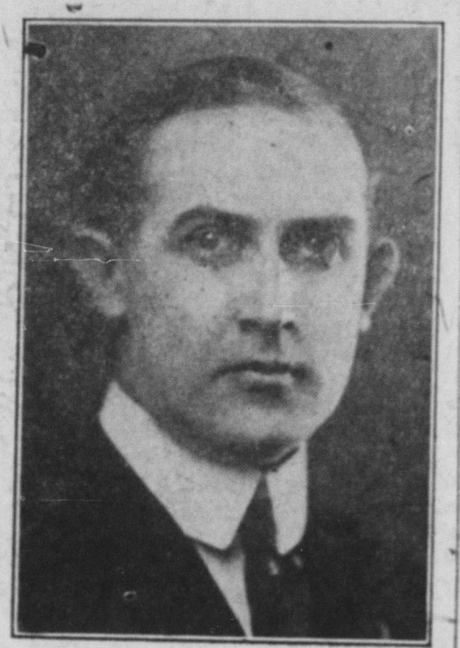
"It is the opinion in this community that a person has no right to drink intoxicants and drive a car and we are trying to educate those who try it that it is a bad practice," continued the court.

R. F. Williams advertises in this issue a good fresh cow for sale.

150TH ANNIVERSARY OF SPRING CREEK CHURCH

Presbyterians Celebrate Event on Friday—Eleven Ministers, Including Present Pastor, Served the Congregation.

The Spring Creek Presbyterian church, at Lemont, celebrated its Sesqui-Centennial on Friday of last week. The program opened at 2:00 P. M. Organ prelude by Mrs. L. V. Barber. Rev. W. A. Wagner, of the Bonshurg Lutheran church, read the Scripture



REV. J. M. KIRKPATRICK
Present Pastor of the Church

Lesson, and Rev. Floyd Huff, of the Evangelical church, Centre Hall, led in prayer. Hymn, "Anniversary." The visitors were welcomed in the pastor's address. The response was made by one who had been a Sabbath School scholar at the old church in his boyhood days, the Hon. John Laird Holmes, State College. Hymn, "Faith of Our Fathers."

The Rev. James J. Glenn gave an interesting and stirring rehearsal of the payment men and women who had effected his young life for good. He handled his subject, "My Old Home Church," just like an elder's son and a minister should. Old Spring Creek is proud of its product. Rev. J. J. Glenn is a prominent minister in the Presbytery of Carlisle. Hymn, "Come Thou Almighty King."

Spring Creek Presbyterians were blest in having present at their celebration two of the sons of their late beloved pastor, the Rev. Robert Hamill, D. D. Samuel Hamill, M. D., of Philadelphia, was present and acted as chairman of the P. M. session. James Hamill, of Columbus, Ohio, brought a very fine account of his father's life which was enjoyed very much. The Rev. Dr. Hamill served the Lemont church for a period of 45 years. He served in the legislature and was a prominent man of the State. James Hamill is much interested in State College. Spring Creek church is indebted to him for the beautiful windows which were his gift to his old home church.

The congregation sang as their closing hymn, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name." It was the desire of the music committee and the choir that the music selections should be familiar to all. They were wise in their decision, from the support that was given the choir by the congregation in every one of the grand old hymns.

The selection of the music and the directing of the choir were looked after by Miss Nellie Dale and Mrs. Kirkpatrick. A social time was enjoyed after the P. M. session in a half hour "Get Together" meeting. This was such a pleasant part of the program that it took most of the executive committee members about fifteen minutes to persuade those who were engaged in conversation with their old cronies to desist and repair to the back of the church lawn where they might partake in the bodily benefits of life. After the committee got them unwillingly separated and piloted to the beautiful greensward back of the church they were asked to take their places at the tables laden with a dinner of spring chicken and all the other edibles and embellishments which are always associates of the chicken on festive occasions.

It made one think as the eye fell on the table that the refreshment committee had left no stone unturned, no chicken unskilled, and no cake unbaked. After the people had eaten to the limit the committee still insisted that the ice cream and coffee must not go to waste. The Rev. L. V. Barber of the Northumberland Presbytery, who had at one time served the Lemont church, and had stolen the organist, Miss Mary Dae, was forgiven and permitted to return to the home-coming, and was forgiven for his theft on condition that he would act as toastmaster on that occasion. Rev. Barber is an artist in the task that was assigned him. In response to his call from the toastmaster's chair, elders E. C. Rowe, Wm. Goheen, Frank Wieland and Rev. J. M. Kirkpatrick made short and timely remarks. Letters of regrets were read at this time from those not able to attend.

A social hour was enjoyed in the church after the dinner. At 7:30 the evening session began with beautiful organ music played by Mrs. L. V. Barber. Rev. Barber brought the message by Scripture reading and Rev. Glenn offered the prayer.

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JOSEPH CONFER'S LARGE FARM BURNED

Flames Shoot Out Through Blower of Threshing Machine—Machine and Implements Also Burned.

Fire made a clean sweep of the barn and outbuildings on the Joseph Confer farm near Potters Mills, Saturday afternoon. Less than a bushel of oats had been run through the threshing machine when a stream of fire shot out through the blower, and in an instant the whole of the interior of the barn was a mass of flames. Although a number of men were in the barn the threshing machine and all the implements stored there were burned, and it was only by chance that the tractor which furnished the power was gotten out of the reach of the flames.

Threshing had just begun when the fire in the machine appeared, and whether the fire was caused by an over-heated bearing or by some foreign matter, such as matches, cartridges or flint stone having passed over the cylinder, will never be known. The outfit belonged to William R. Stoner, of near Tusseyville, and was doing its second year's work. The machine cost \$1,100, and there was but three hundred dollars insurance.

Nearly all the farming equipment belonging to William E. Snyder, the tenant, was burned. He had no insurance, but stated to the agent that he had planned to apply for a policy in a few days.

Mr. Stoner was operating the tractor when the fire occurred. The fuel used in the tractor is kerosene, but gas to start. The kerosene had not yet been supplied, and when the tractor operator was on the way to a place of safety, the gas supply became exhausted at a point where there was immediate danger. A dose of gas was quickly supplied, and the first turn of the crank sent the tractor chugging.

Mr. Confer, who lives at Potters Mills, had \$2,000 insurance on the barn—\$1,000 in the Farmers Mutual, F. M. Fisher, agent, and \$1,000 in the Anville company.

The Confer farm has long been known as one of the Decker farms, having been owned by the late Michael Decker, who moved from there to east of Centre Hall where he succeeded cut-over lands and developed two of the most productive farms in this region. The barn burned was erected by Mr. Decker.

State Forest Roads.

A number of roads through the mountains are being built by the State Forestry Department to game preserves, and other points. At the present time W. F. McKinney, ranger warden, is one of a group of men building a road to the Seven Mountains. The road enters the Seven Mountains two and one-half miles west of Millport at Jesse Hasdinger's. Mr. Hasdinger being the game preserve keeper. About two miles of the road is now completed. When finished the mountain thoroughfare will extend to Broad Mountain, at "Green Wood," a distance of six or seven miles. Much of the grading is being done by the use of a tractor.

Contributions to the expense of this particular piece of road building is being made by various hunting clubs who will be able to reach their lodges over it with much more comfort than heretofore.

Odd Fellows to Install.

Installation of newly elected officers in the local order of Odd Fellows, will take place on Saturday evening, Past D. D. G. M. Victor A. Aman, of Centre Hall, will be the installing officer. There will be luncheon served following the business session.

Jacking Up Supervisors.

The following editorial is copied from the Williamsport Sun: Centre county residents are doing what some of the people in Lycoming county ought to do. The property owners of Patton township are going into court and asking the removal of the supervisors of that township for the neglect of the township roads and other practices contrary to public opinion. If not successful in their endeavor it is to be hoped that their efforts will spur the supervisors into closer attention to the work of the positions which they hold through the votes of the township residents, a public trust obligating them to their best efforts and intelligence in the maintenance of the public highways. Patton township's action will be watched with much concern by the taxpayers of many other townships who are suffering from neglected township roads.

CHILDREN AND CARS.

Children are naturally more thoughtless and careless than grown people and are therefore not to be expected to observe every passing danger. The drivers of automobiles should therefore make due allowance for the children and look out for them. The only safe way to operate an automobile where children are to be passed is to drive slowly, so as to be able to stop quickly whenever some unexpected movement of a child thrusts danger ahead.

Children on their way to and from school go singly, in pairs and in groups, and automobile drivers should go slowly and be careful in approaching or passing them. There is nothing more tragic or that more forcefully excites human sympathy than the spectacle of a stricken, suffering child, and well, automobile drivers cannot be too careful where there are children.

Auto Mishap in Seven Mts.

Walter R. Hosterman, the local garage man, was called to the Seven Mountains late Saturday night to relieve a party of four young people from a perilous position. Upon arrival on the scene Mr. Hosterman found an Essex coach down over the steep embankment of the mountain at a point close by the "Spring" where many motorists stop on their way across the mountains. The car was hanging to the mountainside at an acute angle. One of the party was Mr. Krebs, of State College, and the other three are said to have been from the same place. No one was hurt, and the car but slightly damaged. The cause of the mishap was given to be due to a blowout of a tire. Mr. Hosterman found it a difficult task to bring the machine back onto the road, but with use of block and tackle, and a generous amount of perseverance and labor, it was done. The rear axle was pushed out of place. This corrected, the party proceeded on their way, now one o'clock at night, their objective being Burnham, where a dance was being staged.

Fire Tower on Purdue Mt.

A 60-foot steel forest fire observation tower was erected last week on Purdue Mountain, one mile west of Point McCoy, by a crew of five men, under the supervision of T. C. Harbeson, District Forester, of Milroy. This tower is a substantial affair, with winding stairways, stair railings and a glass enclosed cabin on the top. It is named Purdue Mountain in honor of Dr. John Purdue, an early French Huguenot, who settled on this mountain. It was erected in the record time of twelve working hours. It is located on the land now owned by Bert Paorman at an elevation of 1860 feet, which makes it the highest point in the vicinity of Bellefonte. The public is invited to visit the tower.

Shipping Potatoes.

The latter part of last week, W. F. Colyer and his tenant farmer, Harry H. Decker, shipped their second carload of potatoes, hauling them direct from the field to the cars on Old Fort landing siding. The cars contained 635 bushels each of the Russett variety. A third car load is in the bins at the barn. Twenty-seven to thirty acres were planted to potatoes last spring. Mr. Decker, while yet quite a young man, has had large experience in growing the tubers. He began by making an effort to raise quantity on a small acreage, and being successful in this the same methods are applied on a much larger scale, with equal success.

Escape With \$200 Fine.

Albert Earl and Edward Beatty, who several weeks ago were lodged in the county jail charged with operating a still at the refreshment stand next to the Foust place in the Seven Mountains, appeared in court and entered a plea of guilty. They were each fined \$200 and costs, which they paid.

Musical Instrument Instruction.

Violinist with fourteen years' experience now organizing classes of instruction for the following musical instruments: Violin, ukulele, tenor banjo, mandolin, and viola. Write or phone, W. D. Reiber, P. O. Box 215, Centre Hall, Pa.; Bell phone, 31R2.

Dead Man in Snow Shoe Alley.

Charles Robinson, aged seventy, was found dead in an alley at Snow Shoe at 7 o'clock Saturday morning, by workmen. It is believed that death was caused by excessive drinking, as it is said that he had been drinking for several days, and was intoxicated when last seen Friday evening.

Because there was a suspicion that this might be a murder case, Sheriff Dick Taylor was summoned.

Bank Robber Captured.

The embryo bandit, who attempted robbery at the Williamsburg and Petersburg banks, on Tuesday of last week and the same day came to Pine Grove Mills where he was recognized from descriptions telephoned in all directions, was captured at Balesville, Wednesday morning, some miles west of Pine Grove Mills. He gave his name as Louis Gaiermin and said he lived at Patton.

The Hudson car, a new one, was stolen at Crescon, from S. G. Forester.

Gaiermin was taken to the Blair county jail at Hollidaysburg.

Difference in Post Cards.

People seem to be unable to distinguish the difference in rates between the U. S. postcard and the private mailing card. On postcards purchased at the post office the rate is one cent, while on private picture postcards such as are sold in stores, the cost is two cents to mail.

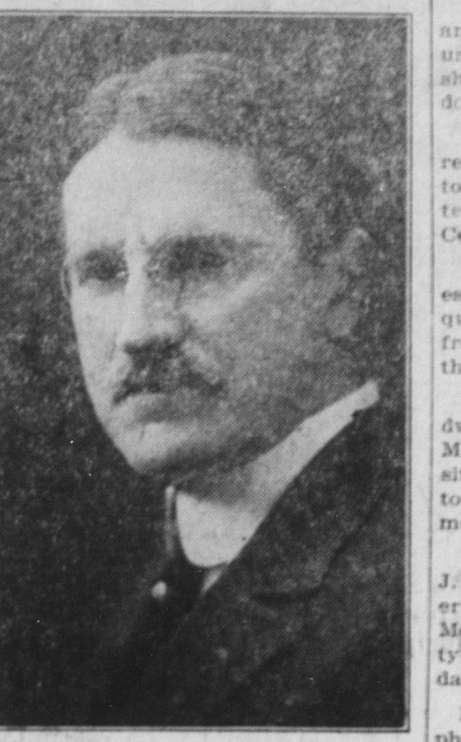
The large barn, sheds, two sloop and slaughter house on the Walter P. Lilley farm, near Lewisburg, was entirely consumed by fire early Friday morning. The contents burned were 9 head of cattle, one horse, 17 hogs, 40 tons of hay, wheat, oats, tractor, and farming implements. Mr. Lilley was pretty badly burned in his efforts to release horses from their stalls. The fire was discovered from her bedroom by Mrs. Lilley, and is thought to have been of incendiary origin.

William Reiber, of Centre Hall, is advertising to organize classes in instruction on various string instruments.

OUR CANDIDATE FOR JUDGE.

A Brief Biographical Sketch of the Man—Admirably Fitted to Head Centre County Courts.

W. Harrison Walker, our candidate for Judge, is a son of Samuel E. and Amanda (Brungart) Walker, both deceased, the father being born in Miles township, Centre county, and the mother in Lamar township, Clinton county. They were farmers by occupation, and the subject of this sketch was born on a farm in the lower end



W. HARRISON WALKER.

of Nittany valley, August 30th, 1874. His early education was acquired in the rural schools before the task of transporting pupils was thought of and he was therefore obliged to cover the distance of three miles each day on foot to and from school. Later in life he attended the Central State Normal School at Lock Haven, and still later the Missionary Institute, now the Susquehanna University, at Selma, Suse.

In the fall of 1894 Mr. Walker entered the Dickinson Law School, at Carlisle, Pa., and while there was a registered law student in the offices of the late Judge Wilbur F. Sadler; during vacation he read law in the offices of T. M. Stevenson Esq., of Lock Haven, Pa. He was graduated from the above Law School June 8th, 1896, and has since been admitted to practice in the following Courts:

Cumberland county Courts, admitted June 9th, 1896.

Centre county Courts, admitted July 20th, 1896.

Supreme Court of Penn'a admitted January 12th, 1903.

United States Circuit and District Courts, admitted Aug. 31, 1906.

Mr. Walker began the practice of law in Centre county August 1st, 1896, entering into co-partnership with the late David F. Fortney under the firm name of Fortney & Walker. In November 1904 he withdrew from the firm and has since then practiced alone, always enjoying a large general practice, which is a testimonial to his fidelity to his clients as well as to their confidence in him.

He has lived an active life. Aside from his law practice he has given much of his time to the service of his country. During the war in 1918 he was Chairman of the Publicity Committee of all Liberty and Victory Loan drives; was Chairman of the Speakers' Bureau for the Fourth and of the Victory Loan drives and arranged all public meetings in this District and supplied speakers for same; was active in all Red Cross work; was appointed Chairman of the War Savings Committee for Centre county in December 1917 and served in that capacity until the close of the War, and though he gave practically all of his time and energy in these various activities, these services were all performed without receiving one penny in the way of compensation or in the reimbursement for actual expenses necessarily incurred by him for the benefit of the service. He at all times went the full limit and by his untiring and unselfish efforts, assisted by hundreds of patriotic men and women in Centre county, was successful in going "over the top" and raising with four other counties in Pennsylvania the per capita fixed by our Government for the War Savings Committee. It has always been his desire and practice to be in the forefront in all welfare and patriotic movements, and his services are always much in demand. At no time has a "Call to Service" passed by him unnoticed or unanswered.

Mr. Walker has never held an elective office that conveyed remuneration, though he has frequently been honored with official preferment which can be more fully appreciated when it is stated that he is now completing the last year of three terms as Burgess of Bellefonte. Religiously, Mr. Walker is a member of the Presbyterian church of Bellefonte and holds a trusteeship in that body.

Mr. Walker has lived a happy life. The gods have been good to him. He knows everybody and everybody knows him. He is never too busy to wave a friendly greeting to his fellow traveler on life's long trail, however humble he may be. He knows no sect or party—in fact, he is one of the "Common People" to whom Lincoln referred by saying that "the Lord must have loved the common people because he made so many of them." His

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TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

On Friday afternoon the Spring Mills soccer team will come to Centre Hall to play the local school team on the school field.

Rev. W. R. Picken publishes letters testamentary on the estate of his wife, Mrs. Sarah Jane Picken, late of the borough of Centre Hall, deceased.

"Jack Frost" put in his first appearance in this locality this fall on Saturday morning. It was a pretty fair showing, but not much damage was done.

The annual Treasurer reunion was recently held at the Foust place, on top of Seven Mountains, and was attended by many of clan from Milflin, Centre and Union counties.

The apple crop in Pennsylvania is estimated at one million bushels. The quality is reported better and more free from insect and plant damage than for several years.

A part of the foundation for the dwelling house to be erected by John M. Coldron has been excavated. The site is on the hill in a section of the town that is bidding for improvements.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Mitterling, Mrs. J. M. Coldron and Miss Carribel Enrick, on Tuesday, motored to Eagles Mice Park, the famous Sullivan county resort, and returned the following day.

Miss Margaret Fleisher, of Philadelphia, was the guest of Miss Margaret Jacobs, in Centre Hall, for a few days last week. From here she went to Canton, Ohio, and later to Terre Haute, Indiana.

Miss Mary Zerby, teacher of the primary grade of the local schools, attended the funeral of her grandfather, Robert Hosterman, at Aaronsburg, on Monday, and consequently there was no school that day.

Prof. H. C. Stenger, director of the Loyville home band for five years, is now located in Hanover where he has opened a studio. Prof. Stenger is largely responsible for making the band what it is—one of the leading junior bands in the State.

Sam Royer and his wife, of near Milfflinburg, arrested and convicted in the Union county courts, were each sentenced for one year in jail and fined \$400 each and the costs of prosecution. They engaged in illegally manufacturing booze. Royer is a native of Millheim.

Clover cut for seed is yielding in profitable quantities of seed and the quality of the seed is also good. Paul Winkleblich, of near Aaronsburg, reported one of the big crops to date—eighty-one bushels from twenty-eight acres. Clover seed is now quoted in Toledo at \$14.90 per bushel.

Frederick K. Carter will leave Centre Hall and locate in State College where he has leased rooms and will furnish them. His only daughter, Mrs. John M. Luse, and granddaughter, Mrs. Stephen Alexander, also now live in State College, having recently come there from Williamsport.

With a concrete road up the hill, the building lots in that section will become very much more desirable. There is a beautiful outlook over the valley from what has long been known as the Neff fields, and anywhere in that section would be ideal for building purposes. It is likely that this part of the borough will next be built up.

Coburn reports her young people attending institutions of higher education thus: Randall Meyer and Carl Winkleblich have again resumed their studies at Franklin and Marshall in Lancaster; and Ray, Paul and Jacob Barizes and Guy Korman are students at Penn State college; Rachael Hosterman is a senior and her brother Thomas is a junior in the Central State Normal School at Lock Haven.

Rev. B. R. Weaver, of Naperville, Ill., field secretary of the Missionary Society of the Evangelical church, is making a preaching tour in Centre county as follows: Centre Hall, Tuesday, October 6, 7:30 p. m.; Millheim, Wednesday, October 7, 7:30 p. m.; Rebersburg, Thursday, October 8, 7:30 p. m.; Woodward, (Grace Church) Friday, October 9, 7:30 p. m. The public is invited to these services.

The large Morton cinema orchestral pipe organ purchased on the Pacific Coast by T. Clayton Brown, was installed in the "Seneca" at Bellefonte last week and since Monday night the great organ has been in use previous to and during the showing of the pictures at the popular theatre. Only the manual of the instrument is visible to the audience, the pipes and orchestra sections being located on either side of the stage back of the curtains. The instrument is operated by a four-horse power electric motor.

A considerable portion of the school tax collected is used in the purchase of books and supplies of paper, pencils and the like. The better care school children take of these school properties the less money will be required to buy them. While school teachers should continuously watch to avoid waste of supplies and misuse of books, upon the parents rests an equal responsibility to see that their children are not destructive-intentionally or through carelessness of these things when carried to their homes for study there.