

PHONE MEETING AT EXCHANGE

A meeting of the People's Telephone company was held Friday at Exchange for the purpose of reconsidering some of the business transacted at the last meeting.

At the meeting on June 19th the phone lines were taken from the contracting company's hands by the shareholders. It afterward developed that a number of the Turbotville shareholders were dissatisfied with this action.

The trustees presented a set of by-laws which had been drawn up. The by-laws were read and laid over until next meeting before adoption.

Each line, of which there are now 11 completed, has its own sub-organization, with officers—president, secretary and supervisors. These have all been elected since the meeting on June 19th.

The People's company is steadily extending its lines and by fall will have 17 lines in operation with nearly 350 phones.

Seventeen phones will be installed within the next few days. Two construction gangs are at work now and will be employed all summer.

Nearly a Mile of Sewerage. Danville is moving steadily forward. Very little noise or ado is being made about it, it is true, but nevertheless the fact remains that there is healthy and material progress.

The various extensions made this spring are as follows: Front street, 500 feet; Ferry street, 700 feet; two alleys nearby, 300 feet; Lower Mulberry street, 700 feet; Mill street, 1100 feet; Centre street, 700 feet.

Habit is Growing. Stockholders of the American Chiclet company, of the chewing gum trust, held their annual meeting in Jersey City Tuesday.

Iron Co. Truck Broke Down. One of the large truck wagons used by the Reading Iron company loaded with stone broke down Saturday at the corner of Second and Chambers streets.

New Postoffice Rule. Hereafter the "opened by mistake" excuse will be a mistake that will cost \$200.

PETITION IS REFUSED

The movement set on foot to secure the release of Peter Dietrich on bail has ended in failure.

The hearing was one in which a large number of people, including Mr. Dietrich's personal friends, felt a keen interest and accordingly when the court house bell proclaimed the hour of meeting Monday morning, a crowd of people were observed wending their way to the court house.

President Judge Evans and associates Blee and Wagner were on the bench. William Kase West addressed the court first.

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Boy Drowned at Old Steel Plant

Eleven-Year-Old George Fausnaught Victim of Horrible Tragedy.

THE STORY OF LAD WHO SAW HIM DROWN WAS PLAYING ON EDGE OF POOL—COMRADE TRIED TO SAVE HIM BUT FAILED—WAS IN WATER SEVEN HOURS BEFORE HIS FATE WAS DISCOVERED.

A shocking drowning accident was disclosed late last night when searchers dragged from the water in the bottom of a deep pit at the old steel plant the body of eleven-year-old George Fausnaught.

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PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

The Misses Margaret and Elizabeth Raup, of Milton, are guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Andy, Market square.

Mrs. Frank Bergner and son John left Saturday for a visit with relatives at Nescopeck.

Mrs. J. S. Prout and daughter Violet, of Wisconsin, are guests at the home of Thomas Prout, Grand street.

Miss Anna Thornton left Saturday for a visit with relatives at Watsonstown and Milton.

Dr. Harry Klase, of Philadelphia, is visiting at the home of his parents Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Klase, Water street.

Guy Williams spent Sunday with his sister Lois, in Nanticoke.

Miss Gertrude Meyers arrived Saturday from Philadelphia for a visit with relatives in this city.

Miss Lilly Hamburg, of Philadelphia, arrived Saturday for a visit at the home of Mrs. Moses Bloch, Mulberry street.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Clifton Mallie, of Flatfish, Long Island, arrived Saturday for a visit at the home of the latter's father, Mr. William M. Lloyd, East Front street.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Klase, of Benton, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. Klase's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Klase, Water street.

Mrs. William Kersner, of Berwick, is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Sweitzer, Grand street.

Mrs. William Pattison and niece, Miss Helen Kramer spent yesterday afternoon with friends in Sunbury.

Hiram Purdy, of Sunbury, was a business visitor in this city yesterday.

Evyan Bevan and John E. Williams left on Monday for a trip to England and Wales.

Jacob Jaffe, of New York City, is visiting his son, Jacob H. Miller, proprietor of the home store, Mill street.

Mrs. Elias Maier and Mrs. Eli Rosenthal left yesterday for a trip to Atlantic City and Philadelphia.

Mrs. Charles Haney and son James, of Maudslaw, called on friends in this city yesterday.

D. O. McCormick was a business visitor at Ringtown yesterday.

SAD DEATH OF DANVILLE WOMAN

Mrs. W. L. Gouger, of this city, died Sunday afternoon at the Gynecian hospital in Philadelphia.

The death of Mrs. Gouger is particularly sad, following as it does, so closely upon her marriage, which took place on July 4th.

Mrs. Gouger left for Philadelphia Monday. Saturday the good news was given out that her condition was most satisfactory and that an early recovery was anticipated.

Miss Grace Laird, of Philadelphia, is visiting at the home of Dr. H. Henshillwood.

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The flowers were very numerous and beautiful, the tributes of individual friends. The services were very impressive, a beautiful feature being two musical selections—"Lead Kindly Light" and "Jesus Lover of My Soul"—rendered by a quartette composed of Mrs. W. R. Paules, Miss Lizzie Russell, John McCoy and Walter Russell.

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The Biggest Brook Trout. W. L. McClure, cashier of the first National bank, who returned from a fishing excursion along the Fishing-creek yesterday, brought along home as the trophy of his skill the largest brook trout that ever came to town.

A brown trout of that size would not be such a curiosity, as many of that variety are caught that measure eighteen inches or over. Brook trout, however, do not run so large and the one hooked by Mr. McClure is without a parallel so far as the experience of our local anglers goes.

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COUNCIL WARNS THE PUBLIC

Pursuant to action taken by council at its last meeting notices were posted about town Monday calling attention to the act to prohibit the throwing of waste paper, sweepings, ashes, nails or rubbish of any kind on the street or the disturbing of the contents of any receptacle placed upon the street or sidewalk.

It was decided by council to strictly enforce this section of the act after a discussion showing the indifference and carelessness of most people in matters pertaining to the cleanliness and welfare of Mill street.

All this it was pointed out in clear violation of the above act, and it was also shown that merchants and others residing along Mill street offend in a similar manner and that the evidence of their carelessness can be seen at any day by waste paper and the like strewn over the paving.

The act was approved April 20, 1905, and to assist in the observance of section 1 the borough at considerable expense installed "rubbish cans" at convenient intervals along the street.

These cans are used only occasionally in a fact well known to every person acquainted with affairs along the street. It is not the intention of council that the cans should be used, at least to any great extent, by the vendors in the curbstone market, who are expected to take care of their own waste matter and offals, reloading cabbage leaves, corn husks and the like upon the wagon and hauling them back to the farm.

The section quoted provides that any person or persons who violate the provision shall upon conviction thereof before any magistrate be sentenced to pay the cost of prosecution and to forfeit and pay a fine not exceeding ten dollars for each and every offense and in default of the payment thereof shall be committed and imprisoned in the county jail for a period not exceeding ten days.

The safe course to pursue would be to comply with the above section, for council evidently intends to enforce the act as indicated by its action in issuing the notice to be posted.

Reform Movement in Bloomsburg. Bloomsburg is getting into line in the "reform" and "anti-graft" movement with a vengeance.

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FEW REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES

The date set for the Republican primaries is Friday, July 27 between the hours of 6 and 8 p. m. The county convention will be held on Saturday, 28th inst, at 10 a. m.

During an interview yesterday with John E. Roberts, Republican county chairman, it was learned that notwithstanding the near approach of the time for making the nominations candidates remain scarce and there is little enthusiasm or interest shown.

Dr. Samuel will be endorsed for congress by the Republicans of Montour; Charles C. Evans will be the choice for judge. Charles A. Wagner, of Ottawa, will have no opposition for the Republican nomination for associate judge.

J. L. Bitter and Harry Karns are rival candidates for jury commissioner. A prominent citizen of West Hemlock township is said to be an aspirant for the nomination for sheriff on the Republican ticket, but no announcement has as yet been made. No candidates are in view for any of the remaining offices. Whether any will materialize between the present and the date of the primaries remains to be seen.

Subjected to Severe Test. The fifteen hundred feet of Paragon hose recently purchased by the borough of the Eureka Fire Hose company was tested last night. Some minor defects were discovered, but the hose in the main seemed to stand the pressure pretty well.

When it is explained that the ordinary pressure exerted by the water works during a fire is 90 to 95 pounds the severity of the test to which the hose was subjected at 300 pounds will be readily appreciated.

The body of the hose at no place revealed any defect, although there was a leak of greater or less volume at over one-half of the joints. This was especially noticeable where the old couplings were used, although some rather bad leaks occurred where new couplings were employed.

Messrs. Dietz, Angle and Eisenhart, the committee on fire, along with some two hundred interested spectators, were present at the test, which occupied nearly an hour. The committee does not seem to regard the defective couplings in a very serious light. It is the general opinion that the Eureka Hose company will send an expert here to overhaul the couplings. All that will be needed will be to expand an inner ring, making the joints perfectly water-tight, after which the hose will stand any sort of a test.

Hay Fever is Coming. The hay fever season is almost due and those susceptible to the disease are preparing for a busy campaign of sneezing and involuntary weeping.

The subjects are already collecting a supply of ointments, oils, and a thousand and one other supposed cures. The frost is one sure cure, says an expert. The victims look with dread upon the next few weeks.

Bloomsburg Man a Knight. Joseph Ratti, of Bloomsburg, one of that town's most foremost and philanthropic citizens and founder of the Joseph Ratti hospital there, is on a visit to his native country of Italy and King Victor Emmanuel has conferred upon him the order of knighthood.

Will Invite State Convention. The Shamokin fire department in regular monthly session Monday passed a resolution extending an invitation to the State Firemen's association to meet there in 1907. The department will send a number of delegates to the State convention to be held in Gettysburg the first week in August and large delegations of the several companies will attend so that a hard fight will be made to secure the convention for next year.

School for Hello Girls. A new departure in the telephone business hereabouts is the establishment of a training school for operators at the building of the Pennsylvania Telephone Co. at Scranton. No applicant under 17 will be accepted. The company believes that this method of instructing girls will prepare them to fill all emergencies.

Tri-State Contest Close. The people of the Tri-State cities are witnessing a quality of baseball as good as is to be seen in the big leagues and the contests between the six clubs is almost if not wholly the record for closeness. For the past week or two there have been several interesting reversals of position resulting from the loss of a game or two by one or the other of the clubs.

Better Cattle Treatment. The Reading Railway company has issued instructions to its trainmen relative to live stock while in transit. This is in accordance with the new law. Cattle, sheep and swine must not be confined in a car for more than twenty-eight consecutive hours without being unloaded and kept in a pen five hours for rest, food and water.

APPLYING THE FIRST COAT

S. W. Armes, contractor, yesterday began the work of painting the court house. It is a pretty big job and even with three men employed will occupy the greater part of a month. Three coats are to be applied.

The contractor is assisted by Augustus Armes and William Black. The swinging scaffolds usually employed by painters were soon placed in position yesterday and by noon a fair start was made on the south side of the building.

The first coat is not a factor as regards color, and does not add any to the appearance of the building, being merely applied as a "binder" to prepare for the other coats. It will not be until the second coat is put on that the building will reveal any change in appearance. The third coat will touch the building off in all its splendor.

The color selected is a dark grey stone color. The corner blocks and the cornice will be painted a light stone color. The effect of the whole, it is believed, will be quite pleasing to the eye.

Arrested for Non Support. Edward Percy Biddle, of Harrisburg, was arrested in this city yesterday afternoon on the charge of non-support. The warrant, served by Constable W. E. Young, was sworn out by Minnie Steiner Biddle. In the information she sets forth that she is the wife of the defendant, that they were married on August 23, 1900, and lived together until August 6, 1905, when the defendant separated himself from his family. There were two children—a girl five years of age and a boy of three years.

The defendant was taken to the office of Justice of the Peace Oglesby, where he waived hearing and entered bail in three hundred dollars for appearance at court.

Hazleton's Old Home Week. Nearly 500 invitations were sent out yesterday to former residents of Hazleton who now live in distant parts inviting them to participate in the celebration of Old Home Week from July 29 to August 5.

ADVANCE DETAIL LEAVES TODAY

The national guardsmen are now on the eve of their departure for annual encampment at Gettysburg. The boys of company F, 13th regiment, began to get busy yesterday and today they will be few idle moments for them.

The advance detail of five men will leave on the 9 o'clock Pennsylvania train this morning. The company proper consisting of sixty five men will leave tomorrow noon. At 9 a. m. Saturday camp will be formally opened.

The encampment, although entailing upon the soldiers duties of a more or less arduous nature, yet affords very pleasant experiences and the boys of company F are looking forward with glee to the week's outing.

The heaviest responsibility and the hardest work falls upon the advance detail, who have all the baggage to handle, the tents to pitch and much other work to do.

The guard will remain in camp just one week, returning home on Saturday the 28th inst. Just what the program will be for camp is not known by the rank and file. Captain Gearhart of the local company yesterday stated that so much concerning camp, evidently unfounded, has been printed in the big dailies, that without exception the commands are wholly at-sea as to what is in store for them.

That the long practice marches, which were a feature of last year's encampment, will be repeated this year is by no means certain. There may be short marches, but it is not likely that the guardsmen will remain out over night. On Thursday the 26th inst, the annual inspection will take place and on the day following in all probability the governor's review will be held.

Arc Light Removed. The arc light installed a short distance below the canal culvert on Mill street yesterday was removed further northward to a point at the intersection of Swout's alley.

One of the reasons argued for the change is that a fire plug is located at the lower end of the alley and that better light is needed at that point to guide the firemen when it is necessary to use the plug.

Rabbits are now multiplying rapidly and country visitors report that the next season will be a good one.