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LOCAL PAPER'S VALUE

No Modern Town Can Get Along
Without the Press.

REFLECTIONS OF A VETERAN.

Old Newspaper Man Hears of a Town Without a Paper—He Calls the Local Weekly the Pioneer of Progress—Its Value to the Public.

"I have just read a little item," remarked the veteran newspaper man, "to the effect that a certain town in Texas is now without a newspaper. The publisher of the local paper has moved his plant to another town and started a paper there. Well, I'm sorry for the town that he left."

"Oh, I reckon it can get along very well without a newspaper," said the cynical listener. "Rome lasted several centuries without any newspapers and grew to be a sizable city."

"Very true," replied the veteran, "very true. But you must not forget that Athens and other rival towns likewise were without local papers. You are talking of ancient times. I am discussing the present. Just suppose that the Greek metropolis, for instance, had possessed a thriving and progressive newspaper—the only one on earth. I'm decidedly of the opinion that little old Rome would have sat on one hill instead of seven, and Athens would have spread out until the ancient rapid transit problem would have been the biggest public question in Greece."

"But what has all this got to do with the little town in Texas?"

"Well, just this. We are living now in a newspaper age. The local newspaper is the great town booster. Ancient Rome could grow without newspapers, but any modern city would shrivel up and leave only a dry spot on the map if all its newspapers should shut up shop and move to rival cities. The local paper is the pioneer of progress. No other agency has been so powerful in the building up and development of America. The great west and southwest and northwest have been built largely by newspapers. Carpenters and bricklayers and plasterers and plumbers do their part, but the newspaper does more.

"A hundred years ago the United States consisted of a fringe of population along the Atlantic coast and a few pioneers in the wildernesses farther inland. About that time the newspaper began to make a showing. From year to year it has been coming more and more into evidence, with improvements in machinery, in paper manufacture, in type casting and the like. Now the local paper is a public necessity. No town can get along without at least one paper. There are very few towns now that are without their home weekly. Take the map of any state and look it over closely. Get a newspaper directory and study it along with the map. You'll find that any town big enough to be on the map has its local paper, with very few exceptions.

"As I say, the town paper is the pioneer. In many cases the paper has arrived even before the town. This applies particularly to Kansas, Oklahoma, Nebraska, the Dakotas and Texas. I have had experience in some of those states in the newspaper line when they were in what you might call the pioneer stage, and I know what I'm talking about. I now see telegraph news items from towns in Kansas, for instance, which I knew twenty years ago as mere spots on the prairies, laid out in town lots and waiting for population. In several of these towns the first building put up was a hotel. One room was occupied by a small printing plant, and a local paper was published. News? Why, plenty of it. While the town may have had only half a dozen people, it had bright prospects, great possibilities, and the editor was continually writing about those possibilities and prospects. New citizens were coming in, outsiders were buying lots, and that little newspaper grew up with the town, being itself the chief instrument of the town's growth. It circulated outside and let the outsiders know the prospects and possibilities. Now those towns which started in that way have daily papers, most of them, and a home circulation that is not to be despised.

"I'm sorry for that Texas town because it doesn't seem to be living in this day and generation—in the newspaper age. It apparently didn't have enterprise enough to keep the local editor there. He has moved, no doubt, to a town which knows a good thing when it sees it and is disposed to help push it along. When I call this the newspaper age I mean that it is the age of advertising, of publicity. Printer's ink publicity is the kind that counts. Every newspaper is a big free advertisement for its community. It talks. It blows the town's horn when otherwise the horn would not be blown. It makes the town where it is published the center of the earth for the people who live there and for others whom it may induce to locate there. In these days a town without gumption enough to appreciate the public value of a local paper is not worth map space, and it won't incubate the ground very long."

HIGH SCHOOL

COURSE HAS BEEN ADOPTED

The Laporte Borough school board at its last meeting took the necessary steps to establish a high school here. A course of study was adopted and has been sent to the State Supt. of Schools for approval, as required by law.

The last legislature made an appropriation of \$275,000 for high schools in boroughs, in addition to the regular state school appropriation. In order for a borough to get this appropriation, the school board must adopt a course of study extending two years, three years or four years beyond, the common school branches required by law to be taught. Those having a four year course get \$800; those having a three year course get \$600; and those with a two year course get \$400.

In order to reap the benefit of the appropriation, the law provides at least one teacher in each high school must have a certificate or diploma in addition to those now required by law, the following branches of study: Bookkeeping, civics, general history algebra, geometry, trigonometry including plane surveying, rhetoric, English Literature, Latin including Caesar, Virgil and Cicero, physics, chemistry, botany geology, zoology, including entomology. At the end of the school year the directors are required to make a sworn statement that the course of study has been adopted, as approved by the State Supt., and followed, that at least one teacher has been employed during the entire school year having the above branches of study enumerated upon his certificate and that every provision of the law has been complied with. Whereupon the borough will receive the appropriation. As our school course provides for two years beyond the common school course, we should receive annually \$400. As this amount is given by the state in addition to the usual appropriation, which this year was largely increased by the Legislature, it would seem that the liberality of the state should enable boroughs, no matter how small, to maintain excellent high schools.

The Laporte Athletic Association will hold a Base Ball carnival on the Laporte grounds on August 15. Extensive preparations are being made for the occasion. There will be ball games morning and afternoon. The three best ball teams in the county will be on hand to contest. The Hughesville team will also be here together with the Hughesville Band. An excursion train will bring people from points both north and south and a day of fine sport is expected. The grounds of the Association have been put in fine condition. In fact they are in the best condition they have ever been. The picnic grounds adjoining are very attractive and furnish a fine place for picnics. Full announcements later.

The first game of the season will be played upon the grounds of The Laporte Athletic Association on Saturday next when Sonestown and Laporte will contest for honors. The Laporte team has just been organized and is expected to put up a pretty good game. Sonestown has an excellent team this season. Let every body turn out and see the game. Admission to the grounds, 15 cents; grand stand, 10 cents extra.

Harry, the four year old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Franks of Lopez met a sad death on Monday of last week. The little fellow was walking along a path which leads to the Loyalsock creek, where the mill pond of the Jennings Brothers' hemlock mill was formerly located, and in crossing the creek by walking on a plank missed his footing, falling into the water where he was drowned. The body floated down the stream considerable distance before being found.

Caught in Harvesting Machine.

Bloomsburg, July 22.—Caught in a harvesting machine and literally punctured with the prongs of the guard, which penetrated his body to a depth of three inches, George Pursel, tenant on the farm of George Kruse at Kaseville, was dragged under his harvester a distance of 50 yards by his runaway team but escaped alive.

It was at 5:45 o'clock Saturday afternoon as Pursel left his harvester to shock some wheat when a particularly heavy clap of thunder frightened his team, the horses starting at a mad pace across the field with the harvester.

Pursel ran in a perpendicular line to that in which the horses were running to stop them. The reel on the harvester struck him as he was thrown underneath the machine. He was caught on the harvester guard and the sharp prong, three inches in length, pierced his body to their full length. He was dragged for a distance of 50 yards under the machine until the horses were stopped for a moment by a wire fence that barred further progress in that direction.

Pursel during that moment managed to get out from under the harvester and then fell over unconscious. Peter Yorks and Charles Bloch, who were working nearby ran to his assistance and carried him into the house. Dr. Paules of Danville was summoned and treated his injuries. Because of their nature he was unable to make a thorough examination Saturday, but yesterday he made a full examination and found the man had miraculously escaped any broken bones, neither was he injured internally. Of course his entire body is bruised and lacerated. There are no less than ten wounds in his hips and legs alone.

State Highway Commissioner Hunter finding himself unable to meet all applications for new road construction that are being sent him is sending out a letter to the supervisors of townships, informing them that the amount of funds appropriated for that use is not sufficient to pay for all the new roads. There will be no available funds for 1907 and 1908, because the government veto of the appropriation bill. From applications in hand for new road constructions and those coming in it is estimated that it would cost the government \$30,000,000 if they could be granted.

The Merchants' Union Protective Association of Bradford, Wyoming, Susquehanna and Sullivan counties held a meeting at Tunkhannock Thursday last. The association was formed for mutual benefit on trade and social lines and is strong in some sections, notable along the Lehigh Valley Railroad. The district was well represented here on Thursday at the meeting at the court house and the attendants all declare that the session was very pleasant and profitable.—Tunkhannock New Age.

While returning from his work at a lumber camp in the North Mountain near Emmons, an unknown Italian was instantly killed in a railroad accident. The Italian in company with several score of his fellow workmen were riding down the mountain on hand trucks. Suddenly as they rounded a sharp curve they saw to their horror an empty car standing on an open switch. All of the men except the one killed succeeded in leaping from the trucks before the crash came, but he was caught between the wreckage and horribly mangled.

Miss Dela, the fourteen-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George P. Holmes, of Mawr Glen, R. F. D. No. 1, is greatly interested in the raising of poultry, she has at this writing one hundred and seventy little chicks, fifteen turkeys and seventeen ducklings, and twenty five guinea eggs hatching.

While carrying her baby sister, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Warburton of LeRoy Bradford County, accidentally fell, breaking one of the child's lower limbs.

BERNICE ITEMS.

Mrs. Maloney and daughter Hattie have returned to their home at Laquin after spending three weeks with Mrs. David Spence of Mildred. Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Daly of Dushore are visiting friends at this place.

Mrs. Madonia Quigley of New York is visiting her grand parents Mr. and Mrs. Patrick McGeevor.

The Elks returned home in a complicated condition.

The Bernice Stars went to Towanda to play Ball on Friday and were defeated the score being 11 - 5 in favor of Towanda.

The Lutheran Church at Mildred will be dedicated August 11.

We were asked the following question in regard to the duty of road Supervisors. "After borrowing money at 5 per cent interest and money in the hands of the Township Treasurer has a road Supervisor the right to work on the road and collect pay for the same?" Will the tax payers have any use for the road machine as there is only one man in this district who can run it?

Thomas waters and Robert Watson of Laporte was visiting friends here Sunday.

HEMLOCK GROVE.

Services at the churches next Sunday as follows: at M. E. church, Sunday School at 2 p. m., preaching at 3 p. m. At E. V. church Sunday School at 2 p. m.

A colt belonging to Ernest Fulmer was struck by lightning and killed last Saturday afternoon.

Misses Mary and Myrtle Jordan of Sonestown spent Saturday and Sunday with their grandmother, Mrs. S. A. Masteller.

Quite a number of the young people attended the festival at North Mountain Saturday evening.

Mrs. Alfred Monteneac of Fairview was the guest of her mother last week.

Harrison Mosteller and Frank Craft who are working at Sonestown, spent Sunday at their homes.

William Bay transacted business at Hughesville and Muncy last week.

Mrs. McBride and two daughters of Hills Grove are spending some time at the home of Charles Crawford.

The following attended preaching services at Bethel Sunday: Lester Bay, Earl Phillips, Bruce Phillips, Clara, Ruth, Mazie, Jessie and Muriel Phillips, Caroline, Edna Percy and Howard Bay, Mary and Myrtle Jordan, Bessie and Anna Fulmer.

An excursion from Hughesville and all points along the W. N. B. R. R. is coming to Lake Makoma on Thursday Aug 1. About 500 people are expected. The feature of the day will be a game between Hughesville and Picture Rocks on the grounds of the Laporte Athletic Association in the afternoon.

The Hughesville band will furnish music for the occasion.

Dr. O. Molyneux, the well known New Albany dentist, passed away at his father's home near Overton, July 16 after a long illness. He had been in poor health for a long time. Three weeks ago he was struck by an automobile and suffered a fracture on one of his lower limbs, which aggravated his ailment and caused his weakened constitution to gradually decline, until death came as a relief. Bright's disease was the cause of his death.

The appointment of Chester W. Hill, son of "Thode" Hill, of Williamsport formerly of this place, to be collector of the port at Philadelphia, was announced Saturday by President Roosevelt. The appointment carries with it a salary of \$10,000 a year. Mr. Hill is about fifty years of age. He left Williamsport a number of years ago tied to the Quay end of Pennsylvania Politics. He has held various appointive positions in Harrisburg and Philadelphia. It is understood he was recommended for his latest appointment by Penrose, Knox, Stuart and other Republican leaders on both sides of the factional fence. Chester served as clerk in the prothonotary's office when his father was prothonotary of this county.—Hughesville Mail.