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## County Seat Local and Personal Events tersely Told.

F. H. Ingham is in Wheelerville this week.

Willard Fowler who has been quite ill, is improving.

Harold Bender of Muncy Valley spent Sunday in Laporte.

John Hassen Jr., and wife were Williamsport shoppers on Saturday.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Earle Phillips of Khedron Mill on May 17, a son.

Michael Flynn is disabled with a stiff knee, having hurt it in the woods.

With Gumble of Eagles Mere Sunday with her parents of

's Episcopal Church, Whit May 26. Holy Communion

who is spending the Vonkins farm, spent

meet at the home of M. er on Monday evening.

LOST—A small gold cross and chain, finder will please return to Mrs. W. R. Mason, reward.

Karl Wrede and family spent the past week at the homes of their parents at Laporte, and Muncy Valley.

Ellery Crossley who has been home for his health has returned, very much improved, to his work in Williamsport.

Mrs. Frank Spangenburg daughter, and niece of Ricketts, visited the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George use, last week.

Frederick Miller returned last week to his Summerhome in Muncy, after spending the Winter at Passaic N. J. with his daughter.

Joseph Stalford and family have gone to Green Wood for a couple of weeks to visit Mrs. Stalford former home.

C. S. Dauberman, Editor of the News Item, and family, have moved from Williamsport to this place the latter part of this week.

Carl O. Bird who has finished a very successful school term, as principal of East Smithfield High School, was calling on friends here over Sunday.

William Burke of Masten, who is in the Williamsport Hospital being treated for injuries sustained in the lumber yard, is improving, but still in bad shape.

### Pleasing Birthday Party

On Tuesday evening Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Mahaffey gave a very pleasing birthday party in honor of their daughter, Detha Mahaffey. The following young ladies and gentlemen were in attendance:

Misses. Detha Mahaffey, Frances Kennedy, Alta Gumble, Verna Gumble, Elsie Phillips, Alberta Heess, Alice Vogel, Jennie Vogel, Margaret Flynn, Hilda Minnier, and Henrietta Kraus, Messrs. Fred Mahaffey, Harry Mahaffey, John Flynn, Lenard Collins, Jos. Ingham, Ralph Minnier, Vincent Hassen, Elery Minner, Rex Eddy, Henry and Bernard Kraus.

Entertainers: Olive Keeler, Marguerite Crossley and Ida Hartung. The occasion proved very pleasing and entertaining, and Detha received many very nice and useful presents from her many friends. Ice Cream and Cake were served as refreshments, the party disbanded at a late hour, wishing her many more happy birthdays.

### Baumgartner—Connor

Lewis W. Baumgardner of Sattersfield, and Miss Emma Connor, of Sattersfield were united in marriage at Laporte, May 22, 1912, by Squire James C. Caven in presence of James Moran of Muncy Valley, and Miss Ida Hartung of Laporte.

## C. V. T. RICHESON ELECTROCUTED

Boston, May 21 (12:30 o'clock).—Richeson, the slayer of 19-Year-old Avis Linnell, was electrocuted at 12:17 o'clock tonight.

OFFICIAL WITNESSES. The list of those appointed to attend the execution of Clarence V. T. Richeson, given out by the Warden last evening, included besides the three physicians who were official witnesses, the Rev. Herbert H. Johnson, the prisoner's spiritual adviser; Edmund C. Kelley, deputy sheriff of Suffolk county, and one representative for each of three press associations.

The three medical witnesses were Dr. George B. McGrath, Dr. Joseph I. McLaughlin, the prison physician, and Dr. J. P. Butler, representing the surgeon general of the state. Rev. Herbert W. Stebbins, the prison chaplain, the warden, General Bridges and assistants made up the rest of those granted admission to the death chamber.

DID NOT CARE FOR SUPPER. Richeson had no supper, saying that he desired none. After eating a little fruit, he lighted a cigar, and he was sitting on the edge of his cot, apparently enjoying his smoke, when Deputy Warden Allen entered his cell with the black suit of clothes to be worn during the execution. Richeson nodded calmly to the deputy, but said nothing.

Attorney Morse who visited Richeson in the afternoon, found his client calm and anxious to have the sentence of the law carried out.

WANTS IT OVER.

Mr. Morse in an interview said: "Richeson had made his mind to die and did not want any delay. This has been a long story and the last chapter is now written. "Richeson died without holding a grudge against anyone. He has scarcely uttered a harsh word, and to me personally and to those who came in contact with him he again and again expressed his gratitude."

When the officials and witnesses of the execution entered the death chamber after walking through the prison yard in a pelting rain they heard sounding through the walls the strains of songs. It was Richeson and his spiritual advisers Mr. Johnson and Chaplain Stebbins singing. Distinctly audible as they closed were the words: "For I know what e'er befalls me, Jesus doeth all things well."

LEFT CELL SMILING.

Richeson left his cell smiling, at 12:08. Before starting on the death march he shook hands with William A. Morse, his counsel, who at the last moment had been admitted as a witness of the execution and with the two chaplains, the Rev. M. J. Murphy, the Catholic prison chaplain, being also present.

Then he said: "I'm ready" and walked on. He was dressed plainly in a black cheviot suit, a frock coat, white vest, white shirt, turned down collar and a black bow tie, with gold studs on his shirt front, and with low black shoes, brightly shined. His head was shaved down the middle. The party then entered the chamber. Richeson, accompanied by the clergyman, followed soon after, the unfrocked minister appearing as calm as either of his companions.

POISON IN ONE LETTER.

Among many letters addressed to Richeson which were opened by Warden Bridges today, was one which was found to contain cyanide of potassium. It was mailed from Station N, New York City, on May 19 at 3 p. m. It contained no clue to the sender, the powder being enclosed in a small envelope marked "headache" powders" analysis developed that it was poison of the same nature as that which killed Avis Linnell. Attorney Morse said that he advised Warden Bridges to make public the facts of the receipt of this powder. Richeson was entirely innocent of any knowledge of its having been sent, the attorney declared. He added that he had every reason to believe the condemned man had no expectation of any such means of death.

WALKED TO CHAIR CALMLY.

KEPT HIS EYES CLOSED. Boston, May 20.—Richeson walked to the chair erect, eyes straight ahead until he sat down, then he closed his eyes and kept them shut until the end.

Seated in the chair, he was asked a series of questions by the Rev. Herbert S. Johnson, his spiritual adviser. During his answers he said: "God will take care of my soul and I pray for all. I forgive everybody." The last of the questions was: "Are you willing to die for Jesus' sake." The reply, in an even, well modulated tone was simply, "I am willing to die."

The current applied was of 1900 volts eight amperes. One application was sufficient. The current was turned on at 12:10,02 and the prisoner was declared totally dead at 12:17.

## Roosevelt Will be Nominated

The NEWS ITEM is going to venture into a new field prophesying. We predict that Theodore Roosevelt will be nominated at Chicago on a progressive platform. We predict that the Democrats will nominate either William J. Gaynor or William J. Bryan, also on a progressive platform. Our reasons for believing that Roosevelt will be nominated are that Taft has hopelessly failed wherever the people have had a voice in the Republican states and that the Southern delegates (who are mercenaries) will desert the sinking ship like rats, and rush to the shelter of the Roosevelt camp-hopping for the crumbs.

This situation is already understood by the "Interests." By this we mean the big men in Wall Street and corporations benchmen all over the country. They, having given up hope of a satisfactory Republican candidate, have turned in desperation to the Democratic party to find a possible victor over Roosevelt. They would prefer Harmon, Underwood and Clark in the order named, but they realize that not one of these names is possible. They want a candidate who can pose as a progressive, but one they can control on substantial matters. Bryan is not that sort of a man. The convention may stampede for him and if nominated, Wall street will give him a fair support as against Roosevelt. But they do not want Bryan, they want Gaynor a great deal more.

Gaynor is a peculiar man. He has lots of honesty, common ways that attract the people, a quaintness in speech and mannerisms which serve him well. He favors a lot of things which Roosevelt advocates and is not afraid to say so. On the other hand he is a rich man, the executor of a great estate and is hand in glove in business and society with the great barons of the Street. He has allowed the boys to play ball on Sundays and has made the police treat private citizens with decency; but, with a resolution and determination to be admired, he has not allowed the city of New York to build its own subways. Within a few days his heroic stand has resulted in turning over that rich plum to Wall Street. He has done many other things to show that he is safe and sane from the standpoint of the Street.

If the "Interests" can fool Bryan, (who likes Gaynor) and get him to consent to the nomination of Gaynor, he will be elected if money will do it. He is a dangerous man to oppose Roosevelt. On the surface he will outdo liberal the liberates, but on the inside he will act as desired by his real backers. Tammany Hall will outdo itself to aid him and money will flow for him as water flows at Niagara. Whether Roosevelt can beat this strong and wily man is a question for the people to decide, we do not prophesy. It will depend upon the Democrats and Independent voters. If they vote for Gaynor he will be elected and, at the end of four years, the Socialists will have large additions to their numbers. We do not believe that party lines will be closely drawn, the American people are full of common sense, as a rule they prefer the welfare of their country to that of their party, and it is for this reason that we expect to see Roosevelt elected by the votes of progressives of all parties.

## Memorial Day at Bernice

The Bernice and Mildred Citizens Band and the B. & M. A. A. will hold a picnic and dance on Decoration Day at Bernice. The B. & M. A. A. will cross bats with the East End Champions of the Wilks-Barre City League, both in the forenoon and the afternoon, games being called at 10 a. m. and 1:30 p. m. There will also be a game between the motormen and machine men of the Connell Anthracite Mining Company for a purse of \$50 to begin at 8:30 a. m. A dance will be held in the Bernice Grove during the day and in the K. of L. hall in the evening. Refreshments will be served during the day in the grove and on the ball ground. A good time is assured both old and young.

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### MUNCY VALLEY

Mrs. L. F. Jillson and daughters Margaret and Martha of this place have gone to Marsh Hill to visit her mother, Mrs. Margaret Mape.

Miss Julia Remsnyder of Renova returned to her home Saturday at this place.

Miss Elsie Palmatier, Hills Grove, is visiting her Grand mother, Mrs. J. Stackhouse.

Miss Martha Parson of Picture Rocks is employed at the J. P. Miller's Sabbath School next Sunday morning 10 A. M. Preaching 7:30. P. M. May 26, 1912.

Mrs. Elsie Ryder of Gleasonton is visiting relatives in this place.

Miss Murle Jillson, who has been sick for the past week, is able to be at work again.

Mrs. E. C. Pater of Laporte visited at the home of her sister, Mrs. L. F. Jillson, Saturday.

Miss Edna Miller spent Sunday with Murle Jillson.

Mrs. John Gansel is on the sick list.

Miss Mary Harris is visiting her Grandmother, Mrs. Reese, at North Mountain.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. John Ryder died May 10, was buried May 13, Wilber Lewellyn Ryder aged 9 months two days.

Miss Marie Ryder of Picture Rocks spent the past week with friends and relatives at this place.

There will be ice cream, bananas, oranges, lemons, pine apples, peanuts etc., at new confectionary Muncy Valley.

### Will Serve Ice Cream

Ice cream will be sold at the home of Mrs. J. L. Smyth, Decoration day, afternoon and evening, for the benefit of the M. E. Church.

### Taken to Packer Hospital

Dr. Christian of Lopez, who has been ill with pneumonia for some time, has been taken to the Packer Hospital for treatment. Dr. W. S. Randall was getting ready to go from Dushore to Lopez to see Dr. Christian Saturday night when his automobile took fire as did his clothes, compelling him to jump into the creek, resulting in a broken leg and bad burns.

### Benton—Little

Miss Hazel Little daughter of Chas. Little and Mr. Harry Knouse, of Benton, were united in marriage at Benton, May 18, at 8 p. m., by the Rev. Burrell.

### Memorial Sermon

A Memorial Sermon will be preached by Rev. E. B. Davidson, to the Survivors of the Civil War at Laporte, at the M. E. Church on Sunday May 26, at 10 A. M. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Gradually the politicians are getting back to the front page, top column.

## The Pathways of Inhaled Dust

To the untutored individual the hygienic aspects of the dust problem present themselves primarily as dangers from the germs which are carried in the air. He rarely considers, if indeed he suspects, the equally subtle ways in which an atmosphere laden with minute suspended particles may become dangerous to health. There are industries and occupations attended with the necessity of breathing air more or less contaminated with dust, so that the respiratory problem suggested by this fact belong to the important consideration of modern industrial hygiene. The noxious significance of dust varies with its character. Bacterial dust may cause infections such as the catarrhal inflammations observed in rag sorters. Other types of dust may irritate because of the physical form and texture of the particles; while others again may do harm on account of their chemical qualities. Particularly injurious are those forms of dust in which the particles are irregular and pointed in form. Yet it is impossible to explain well-known peculiarities in the relative harmfulness of different kinds of dust on this basis alone. It is said, for instance, that the atmosphere about working places where sandstone is being dressed is decidedly more harmful than that in the vicinity of marble and granite shops or lime workers. Among the forms of chemical injury, industrial poisoning due to the inhalations of lead, arsenic, zinc, phosphorus or mercury laden dust are familiar. Compounds like aniline dye may also be a source of danger.

In considering preventive devices to be applied in industrial work it has become necessary to learn something more exact regarding the travels of inhaled dust in the body as well as the actual quantities which represent dangerous or unsanitary limits. Investigations which the Würzburg hygienist, Professor K. B. Lehmann, has conducted along these lines with his pupils have furnished some unexpected facts which are reported in a recent number of the Journal of the American Medical Association. They have demonstrated that the great bulk of the inspired dust finds its way into the stomach, not into the lungs as has been confidently assumed. Obviously the dust is regularly caught by the nasal and pharyngeal mucosa and the dust laden secretion then swallowed. All of the inhaled dust was retained by the mouth or nose. Yet less than a quarter of it entered the lungs at best. In the case of insoluble particles the stomach may furnish a most satisfactory channel for the subsequent elimination of the dust from the body; but in the case of soluble dust poisoning would be more likely to occur.

### MILLINERY

We cordially invite you to come and inspect our millinery display of rich and handsomely designed Ladies trimmed dress hats, and ready to wear hats. Misses and childrens trimmed hats, baby bonnets and automobile bonnets. Also a nice assortment of ribbon, flowers, and ornaments of various kinds.

LIZZIE McNELLAN

### Memorial Day

The Survivors of the Civil war of Laporte will meet at the M. E. Church on Thursday May 30, 1912 at 2 o'clock p. m., for Memorial services.

The public in general are invited to be present. Committee on Choir music F. W. Meylert.

### Committee on Flowers

Verna Gumble	Helen Mabon
E. Jessie Wrede	Elsie Phillips
Alberta Heess	Detha Mahaffey
Mattie Stalford	Frances Heess
Frances Kennedy	Alta Gumble
Margaret Flynn	Jennie Vogel
Florence Vogel	Mary Flynn
Beatrice Mason	Jean Ingham
Gladys Eddy.	

Wm. W. Loeb,  
Secretary.