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## HOT WEATHER FOR JULY

With Many Severe Storms, Including Hail.

PREDICTED BY REV. IRL R. HICKS.

A Mars Equinoctial Period Covers Almost the Entire Month of July and into August.

In Word and Works for July Rev. Irl R. Hicks says:

This month begins in the last stage of a storm period central on June 29th. Storms and perturbations of this period will be well on their way toward the Atlantic by the 1st and 2nd, with fair and cooler weather following from the west.

A reactionary storm period is central from the 4th to the 6th.—As the Moon is on the celestial equator on the 4th, we may reasonably calculate on a decided rise in temperature, ending in thunder and rain storms during these reactionary days.

A Mars equinoctial period covers almost the entire month of July, being central on the 28th and running into August.

About the 11th to 14th, the central dates of the second July storm period, no one should be surprised by a wave of excessively warm weather, culminating in many threatening storms and violent dangerous blustering. Some local cloudbursts are probable here and there, but we do not believe that sufficient rains will occur at this time over wide extremes of the grain-producing regions. Heavy hail storms, especially to the west and north, will most likely attend these disturbances, in which event temporary change to much cooler may naturally be expected. The 12th, 13th and 14th are the days on which the culminating crisis of this period is to be looked for.—Change to higher barometer, westerly winds and cooler would be the normal order progressively behind or west of the centers of storm areas.

On and touching the 17th, 18th and 19th the temperature will greatly increase, moving like a wave from west to east. Barometric unsteadiness and final fall to low readings will accompany the warmth, and many threatening storm clouds with thunder and bluster will take up their march eastwardly across the country.—Heavy local concentrations of rain and hail will touch scattered localities, but we fear that there will be serious lack of general, diffused rains.

A regular Vulcan storm period covers the 21st to the 24th, having its center on the 22nd. The most casual observers and readers of weather reports will see that a wave of increased warmth, attended by falling barometer and other storm conditions, will organize in the west and pass eastwardly across the country on and touching the above days. More threatening summer clouds, with thunder, some rain and severe bluster, will break out along the paths of actual storm areas.

On and touching the 27th and 28th reactionary storm conditions will return with more than ordinary intensity. At this time the earth will be nearing the opposition of Saturn—that is, passing between the Sun and the great planet, Saturn. The Moon will also be in opposition with Earth and Sun, or at its full, and the Mars period will be exactly central. Great warmth will, in every probability, reach a climax on and next to these dates.

Mr. Kyner of Chambersburg came over last Saturday, and on Sunday returned home accompanied by Photographer A. L. Rogers who had been spending a week here.

Mr. Ernest Greathead of Schenectady, N. Y., who easily takes rank with the most artistic job printers in the country, is spending his summer vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Greathead of this place.

## FEUDS THAT WERE COSTLY.

Within Sight of the White House and Thwarted by Personal Enemies.

In a very interesting article in the Philadelphia Public Ledger of the 5th inst., Rufus Rockwell Wilson tells how men who have been apparently within easy reach of the presidential chair, have been compelled to "go way back and sit down" on account of a personal enemy who had been waiting an opportunity to get square. He told how Burr and not Jefferson would have been third president, had it not been for Alexander Hamilton; how Clay could not overcome the personal influence of Andy Jackson, and that the Fillmore-Weed quarrel made it possible for Frank Pierce to be selected in 1852. In '60, Greeley knocked out Seward, and in '68 Tilden broke up the Chase boom, which was revenged eight years later by Mrs. Sprague through her influence with Conkling, making it possible for Hayes to carry away the honors of an office that had been given to another by over a quarter of a million of the popular vote.

But what to us has a local interest is the fact that John Cessna, a former member of the Fulton county bar, and well known to the older people of this county, was the man who gave Jim Blaine the solar plexus blow that knocked him out of the race in 1876.

When John Cessna was in Congress, James G. Blaine was Speaker of the House, and John wanted Jim to make him Chairman of the Judiciary Committee of the House. Blaine declined and gave the place to another man. When the Republican National Convention opened in Cincinnati, in 1876, Cessna was a delegate. "I want to be Chairman of the Committee on Rules," said he to the anti-Blaine men, "and if I don't beat Blaine you can take my head for a football." Cessna was made Chairman of the Committee, and in that capacity brought in a rule to the effect that after any State had cast its vote for President, that vote could not be changed until the result of the whole ballot had been announced. Few in the convention were alive to the import of this rule when it was reported and adopted—but it, and it alone, defeated the nomination of Blaine. The original plan of the Blaine men was to force a choice on the first ballot—to get enough changes to their candidate to make his nomination certain before the result was announced. The stamped to Blaine could not be started, and he was beaten. "I guess," said Cessna, as he witnessed the operation of his scheme, "Jim Blaine is not much ahead of me now."

This feud was followed up, and in 1880 when Blaine again asked for the nomination, so persistent was Conkling and his friends that Blaine finally threw his forces to Garfield and abandoned a hope that had been fondly cherished many years—that he would some day be president of the United States.

## Children's Day Services.

The annual Children's Day services were held in the Lutheran church last Friday evening; in the Reformed church on Sunday morning, and in the Methodist church on Sunday evening. These services are becoming more popular every year, and with every year more attention is given to making the program more attractive, and the decorations more beautiful.

The respective churches were scarcely able to accommodate the large number of persons who applied for admission, and on Sunday evening, especially, many persons could not find room inside the church.

Mr. Hugh W. Ewing, who recently underwent an operation in the Children's Aid Hospital at Chambersburg, came home last Friday, and says he feels like "another man" now.

## ACCIDENT IN HAYFIELD.

Oliver McPherson Run Down by Hay Wagon and Arm Broken.

Last Saturday afternoon while Morrow Kendall's men were busy making hay, a storm came up, and of course, they were anxious to get as much into the barn before it would get wet as possible. The last wagon was about half loaded when the rain began to drop, and they started with the team on a run for the barn. Oliver McPherson, one of the men, ran and attempted to board the wagon, but missed his hold and fell under the wagon, the hind wheel passing over his arm, breaking it between the elbow and shoulder, and otherwise bruising his body. Dr. Mosser mended the injured man, but he is not likely to do much more harvesting this year, and is congratulating himself that it was his arm and not his neck that the wheel ran over.

## Annual School Picnic.

The members of the McConnellsburg Normal school, held their annual picnic in Sheriff Mason's orchard last Friday evening. The weather was ideal, and the bright moonlight completed the conditions for making it a most enjoyable occasion. The Japanese lanterns that had been hung around soon found that they could not cut much "igger" in competition with the round bright face of the "free silver" moon, and gave it up and went out. The boys and girls played Bingo, Copenhagen, Drunken Sailor, and other innocent games until midnight, and would have stayed later, but the big town clock held up its hands and told them twelve times to stop their racket. Of course, they obeyed, and went home happy in the thought that they had had the time of their lives.

The girls had baked a lot of cakes, and the boys had furnished a generous supply of icecream, all of which were very much enjoyed about eleven o'clock.

## Lookout For Swindlers.

The crop of swindlers working in farming districts seem to be greater than ever this Spring, says the Cumberland (Maryland) Daily News. There are two of the latest. A number of men are working in different states selling a stock remedy on this plan. They appoint a local agent and offer to supply him with a stock of the remedy to be paid for after it is sold, but they require a signature to a contract ordering about \$100 worth of the stuff to be shipped prepaid. At the end of a month the farmer agent is notified that he is indebted to the concern for the amount of the contract (which by the way is in the hands of the swindler, the farmer agent having been given no duplicate), and suit is brought for a smaller amount so as to keep it in a lower court. The other swindler offers to set out an acre or more of trees and take half his pay from the crops of fruit. His scheme is to ask about one-half more than the trees are worth on the plea that they are some new and wonderful variety and hence are sold at half (?) price, the other half to be paid, as stated, from the fruit. Suffice it to say this swindler having collected his price for the trees, which are generally of inferior sorts, never turns up for his share of the crops. Better confine purchases to local dealers or to men who advertise in papers of reliability and let general agents with wonderful propositions alone.

Marshall McKibbin, a popular young salesman for a steel roofing company in Pittsburg, is spending his summer vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George McKibbin in Union township. Marshall was in town a day or two this week, but seemed to be in a hurry to get home, as he said, to "help his father harvest."

## FOURTH OF JULY.

Big Celebration at Hustontown: Music, Speeches, Watermelons and Fireworks.

The enterprising citizens of Hustontown will not let the most important of National Holidays go by unobserved, but are making preparations to have a big old fashioned time all day on the "Fourth," as the following program will show:

Beginning at 9.30, there will be a grand fantastic parade led by the Darktown band, after which Dr. A. K. Davis will deliver an address of welcome; and other addresses in the morning, will be delivered by Rev. B. A. Salter and Hon. S. W. Kirk. Time will be given you at the middle of the day to get a good dinner right at the grounds; and then, beginning at two o'clock, addresses will be delivered by Rev. J. V. Adams and John P. Sipes, Esq.

For the further entertainment of the great crowd, there will be bicycle and watermelon races, pigeon shooting, sack races, greased pole contests, etc., etc.

Then, in the evening there will be an address by Rev. A. B. Wolf, a grand display of fireworks, a cake walk, and a big festival will be going on, and there'll be a hot time in the old town generally.

Everybody is invited to attend and bring the children.

You can get plenty to eat and feed for your horses.

## WELLS TANNERY.

Mr. Samuel Russell of Salt Lake City, spent a part of last week with the Wishart families. He was on his return from a Law University in Virginia, where he recently graduated.

Miss Edith Hall of Huntingdon, is visiting Miss Maud Baumgardner.

Mrs. John Ashcroft of Texas, and Mrs. Theophilus Houck of Saxton, are guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Baker.

Mack Stunkard made a hasty trip to South Fork a few days ago. Alfred Stunkard, who has been in West Virginia for several months, has returned home. He reports work hard to get there.

Mrs. Belle Gracey and Mrs. J. N. Duvall visited in Saxton a few days last week.

Mr. Harvey Wishart attended the Convention in Chicago, and visited his son Howard, who is in business there.

G. E. Truax and J. A. Wishart have greatly improved their dwellings with new porches and other additions.

Aaron Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Wishart, Misses Maud Baumgardner and Edith Hall attended the Bedford county S. S. Convention in Everett Friday and Saturday of last week.

B. G. Horton, successor to Frank Sprowl, serves Evans' Icecream every Saturday evening.

Mr. V. D. Schenck was in Huntingdon one day recently to consult Dr. Sears about his eyes, and has been kept in doors for several weeks. No relief yet.

Miss Margaret Stunkard of Enid, spent Sunday with her uncle, W. B. Stunkard.

Mr. Kaufman of Mt. Union, made an interesting talk to Epworth Workers in Pine Grove M. E. church Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Margaret Morgert of Shermans Valley is visiting Mrs. George Young and other relatives.

Mr. Harvey Wishart returned last Saturday from a two weeks' visit in Chicago.

County Superintendent Barton and C. B. Stevens made a little trip to Orbisonia Tuesday.

Miss Mabel Trout is attending the Commencement exercises at the Shippensburg state normal this week.

Mrs. Rachel Hill spent last week with the family of Frank P. Lynch, and on Saturday went to Hustontown to visit her daughter Mrs. Simon Fix.

## CONSHOHOCKEN.

Rev. S. L. Baugher Tells About Their New Home in Montgomery County.

Dear Editor:—I wish with your permission to speak to my many friends in Fulton county through the columns of the NEWS. Conshohocken is in the Schuylkill Valley, fifteen miles from Philadelphia. The Schuylkill River divides the town. On the east side of the River there are 5,000 inhabitants and on the west side, including Wilsontown and Rebel Hill, about 2,500.

This is a manufacturing town, containing numerous steel and iron plants, carpet and woolen factories, and many other industries. It has fine railroad facilities—trains running between here and Philadelphia every half hour.

We are four miles from Norris-town, the county seat of Montgomery county, a beautiful town of 30,000 people, and a \$500,000.00 court house. This county has a ten months term of school. The roads are fine. I counted six automobiles pass our parsonage yesterday in two hours time.

We are very pleasantly located. The Gulf church is in a beautiful place on Rebel Hill, with a large Sunday school room seated with chairs; about 130 enrolled in the Sunday school with seven classes. I teach one of the classes and Mrs. B. one.

It is, indeed, a heavenly privilege to spend an hour in the Sabbath school every Sunday morning reading and studying God's word together. We have a Ladies Aid society of 80 members, and prayer meeting every Wednesday night.

The church building cost \$10,000. I have seven persons to baptize next Sunday afternoon. The church is built with a pool of water in it called a baptistry, and the baptism is performed in the presence of the congregation in the church. This church supports a missionary in Japan. We have an interesting C. E. society.

It is only eight miles from here to Valley Forge. President Roosevelt was the guest of Senator Knox at that place last Saturday night, and on Sunday morning made a nice address in the church.

This is historic ground. About a quarter of a mile from the parsonage is a monument weighing 194 tons. On one side is inscribed: "Gulf Mills. The main Continental army commanded by General George Washington encamped in this immediate vicinity from December 13, to December 19, 1777, before going into winter quarters at Valley Forge."

I have had some pleasant hours making pastoral calls among the members of my flock. In every home when the pastor calls whether for a half hour or an hour, the family will be assembled and the pastor is expected to conduct a short service of worship.

We appreciate the weekly visits of the Fulton County News.

I will say to the members of Damascus church that Rev. P. H. Fleming, D. D., of Burlington, N. C., will be on hand to dedicate the church at the time set.

We hope that the good editor of the Everett Press will copy this.

God bless all the readers of the News.

REV. S. L. BAUGHER.

Capt. A. Dotterman will hold preaching services on Timber Ridge at John Carbaugh's grove Sunday at 10.30 a. m., and at 2.15 p. m., also there will be preaching service at the Salvation Army church near Big Cove Tannery, at 8 o'clock p. m.

County Superintendent Barton returned Saturday evening from Indiana, Pa., where he was on the board of examiners last week for the Indiana state normal school. Mrs. Barton and their little son George, are visiting Mrs. Barton's parents at Newport, Pa.

## THE IMMORTAL WASHINGTON.

The Story of His Life Familiar to Every Nation.

Written for the Fulton County News by Charles Henry Wisner.

The proclamations issued to the people of the Philippine Islands by their leaders during the progress of the war with the United States teem with the name of George Washington.—There is something almost pathetic in the way in which appeals were made to the Filipinos to remember the story of Washington's resistance to the power of Great Britain and to the American soldiers to remember that they were enjoying the blessings of that liberty for which Washington fought and that like him they should only bear arms to enforce and not to enslave. General Lukban, the dictator of Samar, issued but few proclamations to the people of that island in which he does not call their attention to some incident in the life of Washington as an encouragement to them or mention the fact that the war being waged upon him was in direct contradiction to the teachings and deeds of "Washington's noble life."

In 1900, two American soldiers held as prisoners at Tacloban, Leyte, under the charge of having robbed the post-office at that place, that separates that island from the island of Samar joined the guerilla band of Colonel Abuke near the town of Basey.—Abuke who was one of General Lukban's subordinates forwarded these deserters to him with a statement that they had displayed a spirit characteristic of "true sons of the immortal Washington." The colonel, of course, was ignorant of the fact that these men were but fugitives from justice. As soon as Lukban had interviewed the deserters he published his famous proclamation to his people in which he urges them to continue the struggle and tells them of the arrival at his camp of two American deserters whom, he borrowing Abuke's phrase also terms "true sons of the immortal Washington."

Abuke's note to Lukban and the General's proclamation both fell into the hands of the Americans when Lukban's stronghold was captured in August 1901 and after that time the troops of the United States in the island of Samar were accustomed to refer to these deserters in a jesting manner as "true sons of immortal Washington." One deserter was killed by the Americans in a fight near the bloody field of Balangiga and the other by his own command of insurgents in the mountains of Leyte.

While the terms applied to these criminals by Abuke and Lukban seem ridiculous, yet there is something of the pathetic about it after all and one is impressed with the thought that there are few corners of the world into which the lessons of the life of George Washington have not penetrated.

## Base Ball.

The base ball season will open in McConnellsburg on July 4th at 2 p. m., when the local team will cross bats with Hancock. We are a little late getting started this year, but owing to the wet weather it was impossible to get the grounds into good condition; we will, however, give the people of the town plenty of ball games through July and August, provided that the people patronize the games. We are at a big expense every time we play ball at home, and in order to meet this we must again say that we hope the people will not watch the games from an outside fence in order to escape paying ten cents, which amount is the price of admission. The team this season is one of the strongest in recent years, and let every person come out to the field on the afternoon of the Fourth and see them win the opening game. Admission, 10 cents; grand stand, 15.

MANAGER.

## ABOUT PEOPLE YOU KNOW

Snapshots at Their Movements, as They Come and Go.

### NAMES OF VISITORS AND VISITED.

Home for a Vacation, Away for an Outing, a Trip for Business or Pleasure, You'll Find it Right Here.

Mr. Corder Snyder of Gem, was an early caller at this office last Saturday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Hess and son, Master Blair, of Belfast township, were in town last Friday.

Mr. Ed Croft went over to Mercersburg Saturday to see his mother who has been ill for some time.

Miss Millie Huston and sister Lois of Clear Ridge, spent last Friday night with friends at McConnellsburg.

Mrs. Amanda Mellott and son J. W. Mellott of Belfast township, called at this office a few minutes while in town last Friday.

Merchant G. J. Mellott and Squire Will Peck, two of Gem's most worthy citizens, were at McConnellsburg last Friday.

Miss Stella Sipes, who is down to her last year in a full course at the West Chester state normal school, is home for her summer vacation.

J. Reed Ray, Earl Shives, Roy Gellis and Olive Unger have returned from the Soldiers' Orphan's school for their summer vacation.

Mrs. E. A. Largent of this place, spent the latter part of last week in Chambersburg, visiting her daughter, Miss Barbara, who is employed at that place.

Mr. John Stoner of Chambersburg, has been spending the past week visiting his brothers William and Albert and his sister, Mrs. Annie Benford in this place.

Mr. John F. Hess, one of Belfast's prosperous young farmers, stopped a few minutes in town one day last week on his return from a trip to the upper end of the county.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank St. Clair of Steelton, are visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Shimer of this place. They were accompanied by Master Willie Teeter of Chambersburg.

Mr. John N. Deavor, who has just completed his second year's work as a student at the Millersville State Normal school passed through this place last Friday evening on his way to his home in Taylor township.

On Tuesday morning of last week, at the home of Mr. H. B. Hege in Mercersburg, Mr. Harry S. Mosser and Miss Nora R. Remley, both of Mercersburg, were married by Rev. R. F. Fletorff.

Misses Emma Sloan, Zoe Mason, Nora Fisher and Sophie Holzman, a quartet of McConnellsburg girls who had taken the spring term of school at the Shippensburg Normal came home last Friday.

Prof. Ernest M. Gress, who has just completed another year's work as principal of the graded schools at Nicholson, Pa., returned last week with his family the latter of whom will spend their summer vacation in this county, and the Professor will rest up by taking a six-weeks' course of study down at Ursinus College. He has been re-elected principal of the Nicholson schools for next year at a salary of \$80 a month.

Lieut. and Mrs. J. Walker Johnston, and Mrs. Margaret Kendall and daughter, Miss Ruth, returned home Monday after having spent two months very pleasantly among friends in Kansas and Colorado and other western states. They had a delightful visit, and saw much attractive farming country, but Mr. Johnston says Fulton county, Pennsylvania, even though it doesn't have a railroad, is good enough for him.