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CONDENSED NEWS.

Trout dinners are popular.
Fly time is fast approaching.
Dandelion hunters are busy.
Vacation dates are near at hand.
Candidates for office are hustling.
Local politics are simmering now.
Boat owners are overhauling their
raft.
The next public event will be Memorial
Day.
A clean cellar is an evidence of good
house-keeping.
Merchants were busy until a late hour
yesterday night.
The industrious farmer is now busy
with his corn planting.
Are we going to have a Fourth of
July celebration in Danville?
The edict against tramps should be
osted on every pile of railroad ties.
The Army is being artistically
decorated for to-morrow evening's dance.
The summer resort hotel proprietor is
preparing for a big business this season.
The G. A. R. committees are hard at
work on the arrangements for Memorial
day.
From present indications there will
be an abundance of flowers for Memorial
Day.
Miss Lucy Shepperson, of this city, is
engaged to the Mary Packer hospital,
Sunny.
Persons who steal flowers from graves
the cemeteries deserve the severest
punishment.
Mrs. Fred Howe, East Front street,
will entertain a number of friends at a
chance this afternoon.
The attractive home of Mrs. Abigail
Singer has been repainted. The work
was done by E. C. Teager.
Masters Edward Buck and Alex.
Singer killed a large blowy adder near
a fair grounds yesterday.
A novel meeting will be held at the
Lafayette Armory hall to-night at 8
o'clock. All are cordially invited.
The early morning carpet beater is
doing his work well, to the great
disgust of his neighbor who sleeps
on the grass.
Range Master George Gross will begin
sifting the members of Company F
in their range near the fair grounds
on Sunday.
The United States express company
will receive and ship free of charge
all national to the sufferers of the Jack-
ville fire.
Many P. & R. passenger brakemen
conductors have received their new
summer uniforms which will be donned
at the middle of the month.
The Catholic church people in this
city are greatly interested in the
singing of money for an orphanage.
It likely that Sylvan Heights, Harris-
burg, will be selected for the site.
The public school teachers of the
city are favoring the organization of a
union upon the lines of the labor or-
ganizations. Circulars have been dis-
tributed recently urging such an organ-
ization.
Wallace Circus.
The members of the famous Stirk fam-
ily, a great feature of the Wallace cir-
cus this year, are doing work that bor-
rows on the marvelous. In truth, some
of their attainments are of such complex
character that it frequently passes
by but little more notice from the
public than their simpler displays.
It is not infrequently happens that
on a particularly hazardous feat is
accomplished the strongest and most
murmured applause will come from the
ring wherein the other actors of the
company invariably be found ranged
spectators when "the Stirks are on."
When an act can hold the attention
of actors as that of the Stirks does,
it is indeed said to be truly great.
Will be at Bloomburg Tuesday, May

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DAYS IN SCHOOLS FAST CLOSING

Summer Vacation Begins June 4—Examinations Next Week.
The public schools of this city will close on Tuesday, June 4th, for the summer vacation and will remain closed about three months, opening early in September. The final examinations for the senior class of the High School will begin next Monday. A great deal of interest, of course, is centered in the graduating class which this year numbers ten. The averages made by most of the pupils during the past term were very satisfactory and great credit should be given to our able corps of teachers.
The commencement exercises will begin on Sunday evening, June 2, with the preaching of the baccalaureate sermon. The members of the graduating class, will attend B'nai Zion Synagogue, in a body. There the sermon will be preached to them by Rabbi Adolph Meyer. The exercises in the opera house will be held on Thursday evening, June 6th. The graduates this year are:
Julia Alice Arms, Julia Frances Argrave, Joseph H. Divil, Clarence Frank Derr, Jacob H. Geise, Bessie Marion Kline, R. Maule Leigow, Margaret Lehart, Gertrude Meyer and Charles Nathaniel Mortimer.

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

Congregation of Christian Charity Exempt From Taxation.
The borough council held a regular meeting Friday eve with President Kemer in the chair. The roll was called when the following members responded: Kimmer, Dougherty, Goldsmith, Jones, M. D. L. Sechler, George Sechler, Fetterman and Vastine.
James Scarlet appeared before Council in behalf of the Congregation of Sisters of Christian Charity, asking that he be exonerated from two years' tax held against it, amounting to \$168. He explained that the society, whose object is to establish schools, orphanages, hospitals and the like, is a charitable institution pure and simple and as such should be exempt from taxation. Even the Orphanage connected with the Home, he said is supported by charity, as the total sum contributed by those interested in children cared for, represents only a mite from here and there and on the average does not amount to more than \$5 per month.
On motion of Mr. Dougherty, seconded by Mr. Fetterman, it was ordered that the Congregation of Christian Charity be exempted from taxation. The fact was reported that parties interested had planted trees in the road along the Presbyterian cemetery leading to the Episcopal burying ground, diverting travel through the common.
On motion of Mr. Vastine the street commissioner was ordered to cut down the trees and otherwise repair the road.
On motion of Mr. Vastine the crossing on East Mahoning street opposite St. Paul's M. E. church was ordered raised and repaired.
The following bills were approved for payment.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Brief Mention of the Doings of Your Friends and Acquaintances.
The Rev. C. D. Lerch is visiting relatives near McEwensville.
Mr. and Mrs. Martin Vandermark, of Berwick, were visitors in this city yesterday.
Mrs. Charles Wallace and son, Herbert, of Williamsport, are visiting friends, near Washingtonville.
W. F. Adams, of Catawissa, spent a few hours in this city yesterday.
David Eckman, R. S. Ammerman, Esq., and Major Charles P. Gearhart returned last evening from a fishing trip in the White Deer mountains.
The Rev. Albeck, of Berwick, called on friends in this city yesterday.
W. D. Gresh, of Ottawa, transacted business in this city yesterday.
Frank Kramer has returned from Philadelphia.
Mrs. Joseph Leisinger and Mrs. Clarence Blank, of Sunbury, were the guests yesterday of Mrs. William Grove, Hemlock street.
Mrs. Joseph Jones and Mrs. W. C. Davis are spending a few days in Berwick as the guests of Mrs. William Cruikshank.
Mrs. G. S. McLean, of Shippensburg, arrived in Danville last evening to spend a few days with her mother, Mrs. E. Coulter.
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rempe and daughter returned last evening from a trip to Philadelphia.
E. S. Czochowicz was in Sunbury yesterday.
John Baas, of Uniondale, is a guest at the home of Rev. Dr. W. I. Steans, East Mahoning street.
D. A. Montgomery was in Williamsport yesterday.
D. J. Rogers left last evening on a business trip to Mt. Carmel.
Carl Litz was in Sunbury, yesterday.
Mrs. D. W. Cotner, of Sunbury, attended the funeral yesterday, of the late Wellington Hartman.
Lewis Fisch, of Wilkesbarre, made a business trip to this city, yesterday.
Miss Alice Stebbins of Northumberland, is visiting her sister, Mrs. A. B. Bowser, Front street.
Miss Helen Swasey of Catawissa, is visiting Mrs. William Young, Pine street.
Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Billmeyer, of Mexico, this county, spent Sunday with friends in this city.
K. A. Ream spent Sunday with Shamokin friends.
Mr. and Mrs. Edward Young, of Sunbury, spent Sunday with Mrs. Rebecca Clark.
Lloyd Peifer, of Wilkesbarre, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Peifer, Mill street.
Miss Lizzie Hullen spent Sunday with friends in Sunbury.
Mr. and Mrs. John A. Hartzel spent Sunday with the latter's mother, Mrs. Susan Watts, Bloomburg.
Mr. and Mrs. William D. Williams, of New Columbia, are guests at the home of T. W. Belea, No. 609 East Market street.
Mrs. A. H. Bloom returned to Bloomburg Saturday after a visit at the home of D. S. Bloom, Bloom street.
Mr. and Mrs. Ruth Cook and daughter, Miss Nora, of Bloomburg, spent Sunday at the home of Benjamin Bookmiller, Mill street.
Misses Carrie Thomas and Julia Reich of Milton, are guests of Miss Lizzie Zielenbach, Vine street.
Daniel B. Heddens, Clarence Seidel, J. T. Oberdorfer and Will Clark spent Sunday in Kingston and Wilkesbarre.
Mrs. H. M. Brown, wife of Dr. H. MacCough Brown, of West Philadelphia, is the guest of Miss Cordelia Woolley, West Market street.
O. R. Drummheller, of Shamokin, was in Danville yesterday.
J. E. Himmelreich, of Lewisburg, was a visitor in this city yesterday.
Harry Maus and Carl Bickle, of Milton, made a bicycle trip to this city yesterday.
Dr. J. P. Hoffa, of Washingtonville, drove to this city yesterday.
Edgar Bickle spent yesterday in Bloomburg.
E. W. Shelly was in Bloomburg yesterday afternoon.
Lewis Deshay, of Lewistown, is visiting at the home of his sister, Mrs. A. J. Thomas, First street.
Edward Campbell made a business trip to Milton, yesterday.
Simon Savage, manager of the P. L. Brewery, was in Nanticoke yesterday.
Mr. and Mrs. Otto Welp, of Philadelphia, are the guests of Thomas Williams, Wall street.
Peter Baylor left yesterday for Pottsville.
Orville Hale returned to Shamokin yesterday, after a short visit at the home of his uncle, E. K. Hale, West Mahoning street.
Undertaker George Ront transacted business in Sunbury, yesterday.
Misses Margaret Rote, Helen Ramsey and Frank Newbaker and F. P. Angle returned last night from Hazleton.
David Boley returned home yesterday, from a visit with friends in Bloomburg.
Joseph Patton returned home yesterday, from a business trip.

DRAGGED TO HIS DEATH

Fatal Collision on Bloom Road Sunday Evening.
Wellington Hartman, a well known resident of Cooper township, who owns a farm near Christian's line kiln on the Bloomburg road, was instantly killed about 9 o'clock Sunday while driving home from the State Hospital in company with his daughter. Mr. Hartman was driving two horses in a spring wagon. When near the school house at some distance this side of Grovania, George Sommers and a companion of Montour township, Columbia county, came up behind him and attempted to pass. A collision occurred. Mr. Hartman's wagon was upset and the horses ran away. Miss Hartman escaped with but slight bruises but her father was dragged fifty yards, the bones of his face were broken and he was mangled almost beyond recognition; his skull was fractured and his left leg broken. Dr. Kimerer was called to the scene of the accident but medical aid was unavailing.
The driving accident, Sunday night, resulting in the death of Wellington Hartman has cast a deep gloom over Cooper township. Justice-of-the-Peace J. P. Bare was called from this city about half past 12 o'clock Sunday night, who upon learning the circumstances, decided that an inquest was necessary and impaneled the following jury: Geo. M. Leigow, John Christy, Charles Wertman, William E. Rishel, Isaiah W. Wertman and Charles Fry.
Ella May Hartman who accompanied her father on the ill-fated ride and John Krum who resides near the spot where the collision occurred were the only witnesses.
Mr. Hartman and daughter had reached a point at a short distance north of Keller's school house, when they heard a conveyance following driven at an unusually high rate of speed. Mr. Hartman pulled his horses close to the side of the road leaving sufficient room for two buggies to pass abreast. At the next moment a collision occurred and the wagon upset. Miss Hartman, who occupied the rear seat on the spring wagon, was thrown out against the fence. From what can be learned it would seem that the buggy in colliding ran in under the box of the spring wagon, which pitched Mr. Hartman out in front, the man evidently falling upon his head. The upset caused the doubletree to break and the frightened horses soon freed themselves from the wagon. Mr. Hartman, it would seem, was entangled in the lines and was dragged a hundred or more feet. The horses ran home.
John Krum stood at his front gate when Mr. Hartman and daughter went by. They were driving at a moderate pace. In a very short time two men passed by in a buggy driving as fast as their horse could go. About 200 feet further on the collision occurred. Mr. Krum heard the crash and ran to the rescue. The men in the buggy stopped only long enough to right their vehicle which had upset in the collision. In response to an inquiry Summers gave his name. Mr. Krum himself went in search of Mr. Hartman and found him lying in the road, dead. At the same moment the two men passed but did not stop to render any assistance.
After hearing the evidence of the daughter, Ella May, and John Krum the inquest was continued until Saturday next, May 11, at 2 p. m. in order to gather additional evidence.
Wellington Hartman was 42 years of age, the son of Jacob Hartman of Cooper township. He is survived by a wife and seven children, all single. The eldest daughter, Amanda, is employed at the Hospital for the Insane, this city. With a fair friend she spent Sunday at her father's home. Mr. Hartman accompanied by a younger daughter had taken the two girls back to the Hospital and it was on the drive homeward that the fatal collision took place.
The funeral was held Wednesday at 1 p. m. from the homestead on the Bloomburg road.

MAJOR EDITH MARSHALL

Edifying Address by a Salvationist of Note Friday Evening.
The lecture of Major Edith Marshall in Salvation Army Hall Friday eve was one of the most important events connected with the Salvation Army that has ever taken place in this city. As a subject Major Marshall dwelt upon her personal recollections of bitter persecution in France and Switzerland.
She is a person of most engaging personality. She has seen a great deal of the world and what she has to say she sets forth with a freedom and directness which leaves no doubt as to her earnestness and sincerity. Major Marshall is a native of London. Her life is consecrated to the Salvation Army. When a mere child she was converted and quite early in life was enrolled as a worker in the Army.
Twelve years ago she left England for France, where she spent one year as a cadet under Miss Catherine Booth, the eldest daughter of General Booth, laboring most of the time in Paris. The masses there were characterized by great brutality; there was nearly an utter absence of religion in any form and license and immorality reigned. The salvationists met with the most bitter opposition, which was inspired not so much by religious prejudice as by the licentious and lawless element, who saw that the teachings of the army had a purifying and elevating influence which ran counter to their own desires. The little army of twenty-five or thirty girl cadets often found themselves at the mercy of a mob of many hundreds, where the struggle became one literally for their lives. Such a mob was encountered on one occasion just opposite the Grand Opera House. Stones and other missiles were raining down on the helpless cadets. There seemed no way of escape when two of the girls knelt down in the street and began to pray. There was something in the helpless attitude of the cadets, if it was not the hand of God, directly interposed, that put the cowardly ruffians that led the mob to shame and they slunk away after which the crowd soon dispersed. Major Marshall thinks this was the greatest manifestation of God's power and protection ever manifested in her experience. After a year in France, Major Marshall was commissioned and sent into Switzerland. For eight years here the Army struggled against the most unreasoning and bitter persecution which finally died out and the Salvation Army in Switzerland today is not only tolerated, but is encouraged as a powerful auxiliary of the church. We regret that we are not able to give Major Marshall's highly edifying address in full.

FROM AN EYE WITNESS

Miss Bertha Gaskins Writes From Jacksonville, Florida.
Miss Bertha Gaskins, who left this city a couple of weeks ago for a visit with her uncle, Charles S. Beaver, at Jacksonville, Florida, has written a very interesting letter to her mother, Mrs. John Gaskins, this city, relative to the great fire which broke out in that city Friday last and destroyed over \$15,000,000 worth of property. Mr. Beaver's residence escaped although the fire swept everything clean up to within three blocks of it. That portion of the city seemed doomed along with others, when the wind suddenly changed toward the east, which together with a broad creek which flows through the city had the effect of circumscribing the extent of the fire. Miss Gaskins writes:
"Not a church in town is left standing. One hundred and thirty blocks are gone, while the full loss of life as yet we do not know. Fifteen women and children ran over to the docks, but the flames crept up to them and burned them all alive.
"Hundreds of people sat on the streets last (Friday) night having no place to go. It is a pathetic sight to see the people passing, black and white, each with some little household treasure in their hands which they managed to save. In the passing stream are many who are sick being hauled in wagons. The Southern people are very hospitable and every one having a home has it filled to overflowing with those who have lost their all.
"The fire started at 12:30 o'clock Friday afternoon. It simply leaped from one street to another, jumping three or four blocks at a time and starting up in a new district. We never dreamed of any danger until 3 o'clock when we heard the most dreadful roaring and upon going up stairs we could see the volumes of smoke coming in our direction. We then began to pack our clothing, silver and other valuables. Had the fire reached us it is doubtful whether any of these things could have been saved, as wagons were very scarce.
"There was plenty of stealing done, and it is hardly safe for the white people (women) to be alone in their homes on account of the negroes. All the militia of the city patrolled the city streets last night and three regiments will arrive today.
"My visit to Jacksonville will not be very soon forgotten."
BERTHA GASKINS.

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SILVER WEDDING CELEBRATED

Mr. and Mrs. Willett Entertain in Honor of the Event—Other Socials.
Mr. and Mrs. John Willett who reside on the Grier farm, near Kipp's Run, celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of their marriage Tuesday. The occasion was doubly interesting owing to it being Mrs. Willett's 46th birthday. An elaborate dinner was served and a very enjoyable day spent by all present. Mr. and Mrs. Willett received many handsome gifts including silverware, glassware, furniture, etc. Those present were:
Mr. and Mrs. Raup and Mr. and Mrs. Pinsky, of Bloomburg; Mr. and Mrs. Lampz, of Shamokin; Mr. and Mrs. Alem Sechler, Mr. and Mrs. Wyant, Mr. and Mrs. Schaeffer, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Shannon, Mr. and Mrs. Meisner, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Shannon, Mr. and Mrs. John Landau, Mrs. Wesley Morrall and J. R. Richards and daughter, Miss Lillian.
Mrs. W. J. Burns was tendered a surprise party at her home on Grand street Tuesday eve. Those present were Annie Heim, Ella Snyder, Cornea Pront, Annie Woodside, Lizzie Morgan, Rena Saltzman, Mrs. John Morgan, Mrs. D. Weidensaul, Mrs. O. Sweitzer, Mrs. Samuel Sainsbury, Ben. Dierdorf, Jacob Werle, Yetter Saltzman, Grey Voris, Walter Jones, Dan Morgan and W. H. Wood side.
The fourteenth birthday of Howard Russell, Front street, was very pleasantly celebrated on Monday evening. The following were present: Hattie Adams, Dora Adams, Anna Keller, Jennie Heim, Mabel Rote, Dora Jenkins, Edith Jenkins, May James, Florence Price, Elsie Moore, Alice McCormick, Mattie Brown, Margaret Cole, Mary Harris, Nellie Geise, Helen Geise, Stella Doster, Gertrude Bawa, Martha Harpel, Helen Ireland, Ada Blakeslee, Lizzie Hullen, Grace Ricketts, Margaret Mitchell, Emeline Lyon, Ida Swetsford, Eddie Edmondson, Jesse Tannehill, John Bowyer, Edward Moore, Miles Barber, Frank Keiner, Percy Freese, Charles Wetzel, Lee Dally, Roy Vandilder, Willie Jones, Edward Price, George Miller, Isadore Gungensberger, Harry Peters, Theodore Horton, Willie Russell, Bruce Harman, Walter Pegg, Harry Laurence, Warren Wagner, Lavier Ritter, Walter Trumbower, Will Books, John Pritchard, and Warren Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Foust entertained a party of young people at their home on Railroad street Monday evening, in honor of their daughter, Miss Edna. The evening was pleasantly spent, music and a cake walk being prominent features. Prizes for the most graceful waiters were awarded as follows: First, Clara Smith and John Kelly, second, Gertrude Bickel and Raymond Foust, third, Mary Rielly and Charles Jordan. During the evening refreshments were served. Those present were: Clarence Egger, Katie Burke, Calvin Jackson, Mary Foust, Howard Foust, Gertrude Mentzer, Lizzie Egger, Theodore Molter, Harry Kinn, Joseph Mentzer, Edward Wolf, Joseph Dineen, Walter Foust, Rosa Mentzer, Bertha Foust, Catherine Dineen, Kate Rielly, Catherine Deen, Anna Brooks, Sidera Farley, Joseph Smith, Joseph Kinn, Anna Jackson, Jesse Jordan and Harry Heller.
Mrs. Arthur Woolley pleasantly entertained her Sunday School class on Tuesday evening at her home, on West Market street. Those present were: Misses Ida Swetsford, Margaret Cole, Amy Kinn, Annie Rowe, Annie Fisher, Mary Wetzel, Mary and Josephine Beaver, Tillie and Mary Pritchard, Nellie Sainsbury, Emeline Lyons, Nellie Moorehead, Gussie and Stella Doster and Mary Harris.
A Fine Entertainment.
It is to be regretted that a larger audience did not greet the clever entertainers, Elizabeth de Barrie Gill and Miss Dorothy Johnston at the Y. M. C. A. hall Friday evening. Those fortunate enough to be present were delighted with the entertainment. Encores were numerous. Mrs. Gill is an exceptionally talented woman and versatile in her manner of entertainment. She possesses a strong and clear contralto voice very expressive in effect. As an elocutionist and reader she is remarkably gifted. The arena scene from Quo Vadis was dramatically recited and was loudly applauded. The harp solos rendered by Miss Johnston were much enjoyed. Her tone and technical ability instrument made her numbers stand out prominently. The program throughout was excellent.

Death of Miss Maggie Quinn.
Miss Maggie Quinn, well known in this city, died Wednesday at 6:30 o'clock at the home of her uncle, Thomas D. James, Railroad street, Mahoning township. The deceased was seventeen years of age. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Quinn, died several years ago. Miss Quinn had been a patient sufferer for many months, but was only confined to her bed about five weeks.
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