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CONDENSED NEWS.

Memorial Day next.
Now for real summer.
Picnics will soon be popular.
The loeust trees are in bloom.
Vacation days will soon be here.
The thermometer is climbing up.
Let Memorial Day be fittingly observed.
Bring on the trolley line as soon as possible.
Encourage the "Old Timers" on Saturday.
True patriotism will observe Memorial Day.
Base ball on Saturday. Don't miss the first game.
Hot weather will have the effect of hurrying picnics.
Will your coal supply last? is the question of the hour.
The boys are already looking up the "old swimmin'" hole.
Welsh Bros' circus will appear in this city about June 10th.
The strike has already caused considerable loss in railroad business.
There is every reason to believe that the coal strike will be short lived.
Sweet girl graduates are very busy preparing for the event of their lives.
Attend the ball game on Saturday afternoon. Encourage the "Old Timers."
Temperatures have an upward tendency now, and as usual, the tornado disturbance is doing its work.
William H. N. Walker of the Second Ward Hotel, is having the roof of his hotel repaired.
Invitations will be issued in a few days for a series of dances to be given at Hunter's Park during the summer.
There is every reason to believe that Danville will have an unusually strenuous Fourth of July this year.
G. Snyder, owner of the Exchange Hotel, Bloomsburg, has purchased the Normandie, a large Atlantic City hotel.
The farmers are making preparations to fight the locusts which are due this year. They will take all precautions and the hungry insects will be fought with every kind of drug and even with fire.
Jacob Meyer was run over by a wagon on East Mahoning street yesterday afternoon. He luckily escaped serious injury, being slightly bruised on the right hip and left leg.
We are going to have a busy summer in Danville and the merchant who expects results must reach the people who buy through the newspapers.
A stand pipe has been put up at Mill and Centre streets to be used by the Friendship Fire company to fill its sprinkling wagon.
FOR SALE—Three story brick house and lot corner of Front and Mill streets, 50 feet on Mill and 84 feet on Front street. Hot and cold water and bath room. Also two lots 30 x 150 feet on each of which are erected a two-story frame building occupied as a dwelling and store, South Danville, opposite Penna. railroad station, 44 feet front and 56 feet deep. Both very desirable properties; also a 135 acre farm situated in Rush township, Northumberland county, about one mile from Boyd's Station. Large frame dwelling house, barn and all necessary out-buildings on the premises; also two lots situated in Uniontown, near Shamokin. Inquire of Oscar S. Kase, No. 4 Mill street.
The Fourth of July celebration promises to be a success. The Continental Fire Co's committee are active in the measure.
First to feel the effect of the coal strike are the train crews laid off.
Miss Mary Mills, daughter of Samuel Mills, graduated last week from Mt. Sinai Hospital, New York, as a train-conductor.
On Saturday Watsontown unveiled a soldiers monument. An address was made by General J. P. S. Gobin.
The Philadelphia & Reading railway company will haul the National Guard of Pennsylvania to the annual encampment grounds at Gettysburg this summer.

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THOSE WHO WILL SING QUEEN ESTHER

Cast of Characters and Chorus of the Sacred Cantata.

The final rehearsal of the sacred cantata "Queen Esther" will be held this evening. It will be produced Friday and Saturday evenings, in the Opera House, under the auspices of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Danville Young Men's Christian Association. Gomer Thomas is the director of the cantata, and the stage settings and management will be under the direction of Frank Lee Miles.

The cast of characters was published in this paper several weeks ago, but as changes have been made the cast and the full chorus is given as follows:

CAST OF CHARACTERS:
Esther, the Queen, Mrs. James Scarlot
Ahasuerus, the King, S. A. McCoy
Haman, the King's Counselor,
Frank Newbaker.
Mordecai, a Jew, John B. McCoy
Zeresh, Haman's wife,
Miss Elfriede Weiss
Mordecai's Sister, Mrs. W. L. McClure
Prophetess, Miss Mary Ungar
A Median Princess,
Mrs. H. Longenberger
A Persian Princess, Miss Olive Rank
Scribe, Jesse Shannon
Boggar, Anthony Schott
Hogal, F. Parsel Angle
High Priest, Alex. Grone
Herold, Frank M. Herrington
Harbansah, Robert Mapstone
First Maid of Honor, Mrs. R. J. Allen
CHORUS OF JEWS AND PERSIANS
Soprano, Mrs. J. C. Peifer, Mrs.
John G. Vastine, Mrs. Cora Winter-
ster, Mrs. Frank Herrington, Mrs.
Evan Jones, Mrs. Wesley Morrall, Mrs.
S. A. McCoy, Mrs. T. J. Price, Mrs. J.
William Shepperson, Miss Bertha
Newbaker, Miss Mary Fry, Miss Min-
nie Canard, Miss Sarah Vastine,
Miss Sadie Kear, Miss May Foust,
Miss Carrie Klase, Miss Emma Gear-
hart, Miss Margaret Ammerman, Miss
Margaret Aton, Miss Katharine Ben-
netts, Miss Louise Jameson, Miss Cal
Lyon, Miss Minnie Miller, Miss Mary
Gearhart, Miss Josephine Conant.
Lutes—Mrs. J. H. Johnson, Miss
Anna Fry, Miss Lizzie Foulk, Miss
Lula Klase, Miss Hazel Harmon, Miss
Emma Kostenbender, Miss Malissa
Blum, Miss Mary Smith, Miss Bertha
Myerly, Miss Mame Keim, Miss Mae
Books.
Tenors—Carlton McHenry, Charles
R. Shellhart, Samuel Miller, Robert
Mapstone, C. L. Foulk, Jesse Shan-
non, Frank Herrington, Geo. Langer,
E. V. Barnett, John Swartz, Ray
Herrington.
Bass—John L. Evans, C. C. Ritter,
Will Maier, Sidney G. Cannard,
Frank Brown, John Henning, Wesley
Morrall, W. L. McClure, Evan Jones,
Grant Sowers, Curry Fisher, Frank
Kear, Charles W. Raver, Charles Hartt.
There will be a supplemental chorus
of thirty-two boys and girls.

HELP ALONG THE CELEBRATION

As to Surplus in Hands of the Citizens' Committee.

An inquiry has been made of "The American" relative to the surplus in the hands of the Citizens' Committee, collected for the purpose of a Fourth of July celebration three years ago and not used. Information is asked as to the exact sum and whether the money would not be available for the celebration this year to be held under the auspices of the Continental Fire Company.

A. H. Grone, Treasurer of the Citizens' Committee, was seen last evening. He stated that the sum on hand is about \$120. The money, in his opinion belongs to the Citizens of the town. The committee of which he is one, was appointed at a Citizens' meeting and the money on hand was contributed for a citizens' celebration. For him to turn over the surplus to an organization, he feels would be an act altogether unwarranted.

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MORE AS TO THE TROLLEY

An Interview Which Brought out a Number of New Points.

J. A. Bonnell, of Mauch Chunk, superintendent of the Carbon County Electric Railway, and one of the promoters of the new line between this city and Bloomsburg, was in Danville yesterday. During the afternoon he was interviewed by a representative of The American when many facts were learned that will be new to our readers.

Mr. Bonnell has been working in the interest of the new trolley between Danville and Bloomsburg for several days past. He is quite confident of success. Some few, it is true, hesitate to grant the right of way, but there is a growing sentiment in favor of the trolley. On the whole, there is nothing in the situation that is likely to act as an obstacle to the building of the road.

The Danville and Bloomsburg Electric Railway will connect with the Columbia and Montour line at a point about 300 feet below Keiter's Dam, at Rupert, these intersecting the lands of A. L. Body and James McBride as far as the P. & R. railway; beyond this point it will run along side of the P. & R. tracks as far as Grovonia, whence it will follow the public road into Danville.

The ground occupied by the trolley between Rupert and Grovonia, a tract twenty feet wide, has been purchased by the company. In this way not only has opposition as to the right of way been obviated, but the road lying as it does contiguous to the P. & R. railway avoids the steep hills which have to be climbed on the public road.

If there is a public road anywhere in the State that is justly an object of pride with the citizens it is the well kept and important thoroughfare between this city and Bloomsburg. For many years past the several townships intersected by it have been expending upon it a great deal of time and money. It is macadamized the entire distance between the two towns. Much of the opposition previously encountered has grown out of the fear that the trolley company, once granted the right of way, might proceed to do about as it pleases, with the road cutting it up very badly, leaving the track as suits its fancy, and rendering rough and dangerous the old thoroughfare so long noted as the best in this section.

This fact was touched upon yesterday in conversation with the promoter, Mr. Bonnell made it plain that under the law a trolley company is bound by contract to the performance of such duties relating to the road traversed as to make all fears of abuse or neglect utterly groundless.

The track must be laid on the side of the road subject to the approval of the township supervisor. The legal width of the road will be taken as 33 feet; sixteen and a half feet will be measured off from the center of the road and the track, four and a half feet wide, will be constructed on the extreme outside, in no instance cutting into the macadamized drive. The track will cross the road but seldom, only when the change might relieve some property owner, for instance one whose entrance the track might interfere with.

With reference to the right of way between Grovonia and this city Mr. Bonnell says that two-thirds of the necessary lands have been secured. The supervisors of Mahoning and Cooper townships reveal no antagonism and he feels confident that in due time such will authorize the use of the road for the building of the trolley. At the next meeting of our borough council the company will apply for borough rights. In a very short time matters pertaining to the right of way will be settled, when, Mr. Bonnell says, the company will be capitalized and the construction of the road will begin.

The company guarantees a first class line both in construction and equipment, embracing all that is new and modern.

FIRST GAME OF THE SEASON

Base Ball This Summer Will be the Very Best.

FRANK G. ELLIS PASSES AWAY

Sad End of a Bright and Promising Young Man.

Frank G. Ellis, son of Mrs. Gertrude Ellis, died at 7:30 o'clock Sunday morning.

This simple announcement will cause sorrow and awaken deepest sympathy in many hearts—sorrow for the untimely taking off of a bright and promising young man and sympathy for the widowed mother bereft in so short a period of two loved sons who repaid her motherly devotion with a full measure of filial affection and gratitude.

Frank was born in Danville 26 years ago. Subsequent to the death of his father, the late Thomas E. Ellis, he entered the employ of the P. & R. railway company. His ability was at once recognized and he was soon promoted to a very desirable position in the Treasury Department at the Reading Terminal in Philadelphia. Less than a year ago he began to suffer a decline of health, his symptoms in time leaving no doubt as to the true nature of his affliction, namely, consumption, the disease which carried off both his father and his younger brother, Garfield.

Shortly after New Year he went to Denver, Colorado, hoping to be benefited by the change in climate. A three-month's sojourn resulted in no improvement and returned East, arriving in Danville two weeks ago.

Saturday evening he seemed to have a premonition of his death. He was conscious until the last and during the night at frequent intervals he was able to converse with his mother.

All that was mortal of Frank G. Ellis was consigned to the grave yesterday afternoon. As the news of his death on Sunday called forth on every side expressions of profound sorrow, so his obsequies with the large attendance, the flowers and other tokens formed a most beautiful and lasting tribute to his memory.

The funeral was held from the residence of L. E. Patton, East Market street, interment taking place in Old Fellows' cemetery. The services were conducted by Rev. Harry Carter Harman, assisted by his father, Rev. Jacob Harman. The former, pastor of St. Paul's M. E. church, spoke at the public length. His remarks were most beautiful, eulogistic of the deceased and full of consolation for those who mourned.

Among the flowers was a beautiful piece from the office force of the Reading Iron Company; another from Prof. J. G. Henderson, of Williamsport, of whose business college the deceased was a graduate.

A quartet consisting of John B. McCoy, Mrs. W. G. Brown, Misses Hazel Harman and Josephine Conant sang two appropriate selections.

The pall bearers were: Paul Argrave, of Bloomsburg; Fred Howe, Herbert Dreffuss, Harry and Howard Patton, of this city.

Among those from out of town who attended the funeral were Messrs. Harry Allman and William H. Daniels, of Philadelphia, who represented the Reading Coal and Iron Company. A very beautiful letter was received from W. A. Church, Treasurer of the Reading Coal and Iron Company, who could not be present at the funeral. He spoke of Frank in the most eulogistic terms, of his marked ability and the rapid advancement that was in store for his future had he lived. A similar letter was received from Jacob Henderson who holds a position in the Reading Terminal, and is a member of the Finance Committee of the Philadelphia City Council.

Others who were present at the funeral were: Stanley Ellis of Pottsville; Mrs. William Geiger and Mr. and Mrs. John Ellis of Catawissa; Mrs. Elliott R. Morgan of Kingston; Mrs. J. J. Kline of Allentown; Mr. and Mrs. Hugh D. Quick of Rupert; Mrs. J. W. S. Robison of Milton; and Mrs. Mackey of Maney.

CONTRACT AWARDED

Borough and Water Tax Rate Fixed—Fountain and Other Matters.

The borough council held a lengthy and harmonious session Friday night, which was literally crowded with work, the proceedings consisting largely of the broken threads of business so summarily dropped at the previous meeting when council split on the motion to pay Mr. Africa's bill of \$3000.

Among the most important business transacted was the awarding of the contract for the iron and steel bridge over Mahoning creek at Centre street. There were two bidders for the work.—The Penn Bridge Company represented by Council by Thomas W. Haines, and the Nelson and Buchanan Company, represented by James S. McIlvane.

Nelson & Buchanan bid as follows: plan a, \$1185; plan b, \$1150, and plan c, \$1330.

The Penn Bridge Company agreed to build the bridge according to specifications for \$1290, the plan shown corresponding to that of b, in the other bid, which carried with it the figure of \$1150. The plans were carefully examined when after due deliberation on motion of Mr. Patton the contract was awarded to the Nelson Buchanan Company for \$1185, providing it guarantee the completion of the work in five months. Both of the agents agreed that the bridge could not be completed in a much shorter period, as all firms at present are pushed with orders.

President Vastine called attention of council to the fact that the time had arrived for fixing the borough's tax rate. After some discussion, on motion of Mr. Swank the water tax was fixed at 2 mills and the borough at 4 mills for the coming year.

Mr. Davis called attention to the foul and stagnant condition of the water in the canal and suggested that a ditch 2 feet wide be dug along the bottom from the Structural Tubing Works to the Aqueduct. The suggestion was thought a good one and on motion the street commissioner was ordered to drain the canal as recommended.

Mr. Patton called attention to the public fountain and urged that action be taken immediately looking toward the proper repairs. Water Superintendent Keefe was called upon to explain what was needed. The condition of the fountain was fully explained in these columns before. On motion the matter was placed in the hands of Superintendent Keefe with instructions to put the fountain in working order at the least possible cost.

A large number of bills were paid including those carried over from the previous meeting.

A bare quorum of members was present, as follows: George Sechler, Vastine, Davis, Swank, Patton, Montgomery, and Lloyd.

Will Build a New Hose House.

The Washington Hose Company has under serious consideration a project for a new hose house, that will be one of the finest in this section of the state. Plans have already been drawn, which will provide for a frame structure with an imitation stone front. The interior will have all the newest improvements to facilitate prompt responses to the alarms. Drop harness will be provided and other devices will be installed to enable the Washington apparatus to get out quickly. The cost of the new building is estimated at \$8,000.

All the material for the new building and all the labor will be secured in Danville, with the exception of the sheet iron, which will come from Ohio. The company will hold a meeting next Saturday evening, when a building committee will be appointed and the work of getting ready for the new building will then be started. The company will ask the city to turn over to it the lot, No. 709 East Market street, on which its present building is located and where the new and enlarged one will be erected.

Installing Three-High Rolls.

The new rotary squeezer or coffee mill arrived at the Danville Rolling mill yesterday. Since the break down at the rolls last week workmen have been busy clearing the way for the installation of the 3-high rolls ordered by Mr. Mallon some time ago to replace the 2-high set which have been a feature of the mill in the past. Both squeezer and rolls, it is thought, will be installed by the week after next, when an effort will be made to operate the works on 3 turns daily.

She Wanted Her Money.

A woman was in the crowd at the show ground Tuesday afternoon when her pocketbook was snatched by a well dressed man. The woman was alert and made such a fuss that the light fingered fellow returned it to her in order to prevent a hue and cry from being raised that would result in his capture. He quickly slipped away and eluded all efforts to locate him.

Opening of Park.

Erwin Hunter will throw open his park to the public on May 30th, (Memorial Day). Hacks will be running to and from the park the entire day. There will be dancing in the evening. The public is cordially invited.

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Mrs. Emma Christian and daughter Sarah, left yesterday morning for a visit in Berwick.

Miss Mary Cromwell spent yesterday with friends in Catawissa.

George Wrights of Catawissa, returned home yesterday morning.

George D. Edmondson was in Sunbury yesterday on business.

John G. Brown left last evening for Meriden, Conn., where he has accepted a position.

Mrs. J. C. Hummer left yesterday morning for Solingrove.

Mr. and Mrs. James Campbell and children, Misses Blanche and Myrtle and Messrs. Cameron and Arthur, of South Danville, attended the funeral of John Hall in Sunbury yesterday.

MORE AS TO THE TROLLEY

An Interview Which Brought out a Number of New Points.

J. A. Bonnell, of Mauch Chunk, superintendent of the Carbon County Electric Railway, and one of the promoters of the new line between this city and Bloomsburg, was in Danville yesterday. During the afternoon he was interviewed by a representative of The American when many facts were learned that will be new to our readers.

Mr. Bonnell has been working in the interest of the new trolley between Danville and Bloomsburg for several days past. He is quite confident of success. Some few, it is true, hesitate to grant the right of way, but there is a growing sentiment in favor of the trolley. On the whole, there is nothing in the situation that is likely to act as an obstacle to the building of the road.

The Danville and Bloomsburg Electric Railway will connect with the Columbia and Montour line at a point about 300 feet below Keiter's Dam, at Rupert, these intersecting the lands of A. L. Body and James McBride as far as the P. & R. railway; beyond this point it will run along side of the P. & R. tracks as far as Grovonia, whence it will follow the public road into Danville.

The ground occupied by the trolley between Rupert and Grovonia, a tract twenty feet wide, has been purchased by the company. In this way not only has opposition as to the right of way been obviated, but the road lying as it does contiguous to the P. & R. railway avoids the steep hills which have to be climbed on the public road.

If there is a public road anywhere in the State that is justly an object of pride with the citizens it is the well kept and important thoroughfare between this city and Bloomsburg. For many years past the several townships intersected by it have been expending upon it a great deal of time and money. It is macadamized the entire distance between the two towns. Much of the opposition previously encountered has grown out of the fear that the trolley company, once granted the right of way, might proceed to do about as it pleases, with the road cutting it up very badly, leaving the track as suits its fancy, and rendering rough and dangerous the old thoroughfare so long noted as the best in this section.

This fact was touched upon yesterday in conversation with the promoter, Mr. Bonnell made it plain that under the law a trolley company is bound by contract to the performance of such duties relating to the road traversed as to make all fears of abuse or neglect utterly groundless.

The track must be laid on the side of the road subject to the approval of the township supervisor. The legal width of the road will be taken as 33 feet; sixteen and a half feet will be measured off from the center of the road and the track, four and a half feet wide, will be constructed on the extreme outside, in no instance cutting into the macadamized drive. The track will cross the road but seldom, only when the change might relieve some property owner, for instance one whose entrance the track might interfere with.

With reference to the right of way between Grovonia and this city Mr. Bonnell says that two-thirds of the necessary lands have been secured. The supervisors of Mahoning and Cooper townships reveal no antagonism and he feels confident that in due time such will authorize the use of the road for the building of the trolley. At the next meeting of our borough council the company will apply for borough rights. In a very short time matters pertaining to the right of way will be settled, when, Mr. Bonnell says, the company will be capitalized and the construction of the road will begin.

The company guarantees a first class line both in construction and equipment, embracing all that is new and modern.

FIRST GAME OF THE SEASON

Base Ball This Summer Will be the Very Best.

Ping-pong must needs take a few back seats for the season of base ball is here. Surely the game imported from across the water will not supplant the national sport so dear to American hearts. Danville will have one of the strongest teams in the State and the season here promises to be most prosperous.

The opening game will be played Saturday afternoon with the Silk Mill Club from Sunbury. On Memorial Day Milton will play in this city.

The Danville players will be Hoffa and Hummer, catchers; S. Hoffa and Martin, pitchers; Hoffman, first base; Yerrick, second base; Ross, third base; Shannon, Ammerman, Oberdorf and Gosh, shortstop and out-field.

This is a strong aggregation and one that will win many games. But the efforts of the base ball people do not stop with this list of stars. Bell, of Williamsport, is being corresponded with and will probably wear the local uniform. Gilbert, of Berwick, is to be added later to the staff of pitchers, and Lewis, the fast fielder of the Bloomsburg State Normal team, wants to join the Danville club.

The grand stand at the base ball ground is being fixed up for the opening game and the diamond is being gotten into its first class shape. The manager, S. A. McCoy, and the board of directors are making dates with the best quality of teams and intend to produce only a first-class article of ball. One team that is expected here is the famous Philadelphia Giants, with whom Williams and Grant are playing. The Cuban X Giants will also be seen here several times during the season.

The Board of Control of the base ball club held a meeting last evening which was attended by S. A. McCoy, president and manager; F. G. Scholtz, A. C. Amersbury, Edward Williams and W. E. Gosh. The session was devoted to the discussion of plans for the season. It was very enthusiastic for the excellent shape in which the club is, as well as the success of the management in securing the best of players, made the members feel highly gratified over the outlook.

Contributions of Flowers.

The committee of the G. A. R., appointed to arrange for contributions of flowers announce that flowers will be received at the Post Hall on Thursday May 29th, and the early morning of May 30th.

Memorial Day is near at hand and we have always been very grateful to the people of Danville for their generosity and kindness shown us by their generous gifts of flowers and assistance in decorating the graves of our deceased comrades, and now as the time draws near we wish to say, that to every family of the nation it is a day filled with sweet and precious memories, our hearts pulsing with joyous pride as we realize that the memory of those who fell in defense of their country is immortal, though unseen by mortal eye, they still walk by our side and their place in our hearts remain unfilled. We expect to continue the custom of tribute to our dead and in ever diminishing numbers, lovingly deck with flowers the multiplying graves of our comrades. In broken column, with enfolded steps we still wish to continue placing our mark of honor over the graves of our heroic comrades, silently they are extending to us a wreath of laurel to adorn our deeds and glorify the memory of the days of long ago.

There will be more than three hundred graves that we purpose to decorate this memorial day and donations of flowers will be thankfully received at the G. A. R. Hall on Mill street on the eve of May 29, and the early morning of the 30th, 1902.

COMMITTEE.

The Improvements Completed.

J. H. Buck, boss carpenter, has completed the improvements at the Reading Iron Works and will leave for his home in Reading in a day or so. Mr. Buck is an experienced and skillful mechanic, as is attested by the noble structure, erected under his direction on the site of the mill burned last summer; he is also a courteous whole souled gentleman, as any one will bear witness to who has had relations with him during his stay in Danville.

The improvements at the plant completed by Mr. Buck include in addition to the mill proper a twenty-foot annex at the No. 2 puddle mill accommodating two additional furnaces, and the raising of the lean-to over four puddle furnaces at the old portion of the mill.

The new and improved boilers replacing the old, are still being installed one at a time, so as not to interfere with the operation of the plant. The work which was begun a year ago, necessarily proceeds very slowly and it will be another year before the last boiler is installed.

Have Plenty of Coal.

It was rumored yesterday that several of the industries here would have to close down because of a scarcity of coal. A reporter of this paper made a thorough investigation and found that there was no foundation for the report. One factory visited has enough coal on hand to last through the coming winter.

FRANK G. ELLIS PASSES AWAY

Sad End of a Bright and Promising Young Man.