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ITEMS CONDENSED.

The Allegheny County Sunday school association claims to be the biggest in the United States.

The new state railroad commission, which last week commenced formal hearings, has received numerous complaints and a set of rules for practice before the body has been prepared.

F. W. Ream, whose home is in Manheim, Lancaster county, has sued Miss Barbara Wallick, of Marietta, to recover \$5,000 damages for breach of promise.

Newton Schrock, a candidate for the Republican nomination for sheriff of Somerset county at the recent primaries, was assaulted in the office of the Commercial hotel, Somerset, and seriously injured because he refused to set up the drinks.

Patrick McKenna and his sister, Miss Catharine McKenna, the former aged 75 years, the latter 73, died twenty-four hours of each other at their home in Pittsburgh last week and were buried at the same time.

Otis Wood, whose home is at Bald Mount, near Scranton, killed his aged mother, Mrs. Lucretia Wood, shooting her as she entered the house, mistaking her for a burglar, he says. He was arrested. The man is 45 years old.

Venango county has not had an execution for forty years, but a double one is shortly due, Mike Holda and James Strail having been condemned to death. Lawrence county has kindly consented to loan Venango's sheriff a scaffold for the event.

A furious wind storm swept over Berks county early Saturday evening. Its greatest force seemed to be concentrated at Temple, where the roof of the engine house of the Temple furnace, weighing many tons, was lifted from the building and dropped in a field 100 yards or so away.

While the children of Frank Putnam, of Rock Lick, Greene county, were playing jail on Saturday, they locked Clara, aged 11 years, in the barn and then set fire to some straw which burned rapidly and destroyed the barn. Clara was painfully burned before she escaped.

The heavy wind storm which passed over the state Saturday evening did much damage. In Schuylkill county many barns and small buildings were blown down. At St. Clairsville a house in course of construction went to bits. In the vicinity of Norristown thousands of dollars worth of damage was done, including the unroofing of houses and churches.

Physicians at Mahanoy City have organized and hereafter any patient changing doctors will have to prove that the doctor he is dismissing has been paid.

John Kesser, aged 60, was put off a trolley car near Schuylkill Haven, and has died of exposure. His ejection from the car is now to be investigated.

Work is to be resumed on the big dam across the Susquehanna river at McCall's Ferry as soon as the water recedes sufficiently to put the men to work.

In Mercer county last Saturday the primary elections were so hotly contested that in some of the precincts the ballots were exhausted. This led to the closing of the polls where the shortage was in evidence.

A spark from a locomotive set fire to a house in Plymouth township, Lehigh county, and the flames spread to two others and all three were destroyed. The families of Frank Kelly, Andrew Getty and Robert Burns made narrow escapes.

John Rodaman, a native of Bridgeton, N. J., died in the jail at York early Sunday morning. He occupied a cell with four other prisoners and the discovery that he was dead was not made until several hours after it had occurred. Death was caused by consumption.

Sunday night the window of a candy shop in Philadelphia looked so attractive to a gang of boys that the windows were broken and a raid on the sweets was made. A fight followed and grew to such magnitude that a riot call for the police was sent in. Nine arrests were made.

F. C. Stahler, of Topton, Berks county, has constructed an ornamental clock in the shape of a locomotive, and when the minute hand reaches the half hour and hour points the locomotive starts to run.

AMMERMAN ON ALL THREE TICKETS

The spring primary, which was held Saturday afternoon, brought about some rather unique, if not unexpected, results, chief among which is that Hon. R. S. Ammerman received the majority of votes for representative in the legislature not only on the Democratic ticket but also on the Republican and the Prohibition ticket.

The primary Saturday was the second one held in Montour county under the uniform primaries act. The conduct of the election was closely watched by persons who had the result near at heart to the end that unfriendliness with the system and methods of voting might lead to no mistakes or irregularities. As a result, there were few challenges, although no marked ill feeling occurred anywhere.

Although below the party vote of the several districts yet the vote Saturday was considerably above what is usually polled at primary elections, a fact which attests to the general interest which had been aroused.

The principal contest lay between Hon. R. S. Ammerman and George Maier, rival candidates for the nomination for representative on the Democratic ticket. The contest, which was waged along well defined lines, was regarded as very close, both during the campaign and the hours of voting Saturday, when both sides began to reveal their strength.

The really unique thing about this feature of the election is that Mr. Ammerman is not only made the nominee of the Democratic party, but if majority counts, was also chosen by the Republicans as candidate for representative. So many Republicans exercised their prerogative as explained at the head of the ticket, "writing or pasting" Mr. Ammerman's name in the blank space provided that he received a majority of some 65 votes over Charles W. Cook the Republican whose name was printed on the ticket.

In the three cornered race for the Republican nominations for county commissioner Jonathan F. Mowrer and George R. Sechler polled the highest number of votes.

For county auditor on the Democratic ticket, where there were three aspirants for the nomination, Benjamin L. Diehl and Thomas Van Sant were the winners.

Table showing election results for Ammerman, Maier, and Cook across various townships.

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Table showing election results for John Coleman across various townships.

SCHOOLS CLOSED ON GOOD FRIDAY

The school board held a regular meeting Monday night. The following members were present: Pursel, Orth, Barber, Swarts, Burns, Fish, Fischer, Sechler, Heiss, Cole and Redding.

A committee representing the senior class of the high school appeared before the board for the purpose of arriving at some understanding with the latter concerning commencement, which begins to loom up in the distance. The opera house being open again it will be possible to hold commencement in that building this spring instead of in the court house as has been necessary for a couple of years past.

On motion of Mr. Sechler it was ordered that the question be referred to the high school committee, which is to meet the graduating class and fully discuss the subject, reporting on the matter at the next meeting of the board.

Mr. Fischer reported that he was unable to secure the services of a painter and as a consequence the umbrella stands, recently made, are still stored away in the cellar, unpainted. The doors of the four buildings, which recently have been remodeled so as to open outwardly also remain unpainted for the want of a painter.

On motion of Dr. Barber it was ordered that the schools of the borough remain closed on Good Friday.

President Pursel announced that the school board will meet on the evening of Tuesday, May 5th at 7:30 o'clock for the purpose of electing a borough superintendent.

RUN OVER BY HEAVY WAGON

John Dennen, of Exchange, is lying in a very critical condition as the result of being run over by a heavy farm wagon on Friday evening. His shoulder is dislocated, several ribs are broken and he has sustained internal injury.

Mr. Dennen drove into Danville on Friday and was returning when the accident occurred. Immediately in front of Mr. Dennen on the drive home was Edward Smith, a son of Exchange. Mr. Smith had just passed the buildings on the farm occupied by Mr. Delsite, a short distance this side of the hotel formerly kept by Philip Moser, but at present conducted by Francis Shetler. Mr. Dennen, seated on a high spring seat, was just opposite the buildings when the front wheels of the wagon dropped into a deep water course; at that particular moment Mr. Dennen was reaching for the whip. As the effect of the jolt he lost his balance and fell down in front of the wagon.

He was unable to stop the horses and as he fell his clothing caught in the swingle tree. He was dragged a short distance, after which he fell under the wagon.

The wheels of the heavy wagon passed diagonally over his breast, inflicting very grave injuries. The man lay in the road unconscious, after the team passed on. The accident was witnessed by Mrs. Delsite, who at once ran to Mr. Dennen's assistance.

Mr. Smith as soon as he became aware of what had occurred returned to the spot and assisted by Mr. Delsite removed the injured man to the hotel kept by Francis Shetler.

The man's serious condition has made it impossible to remove him from the hotel. Dr. Snyder of Washingtonville has been in attendance since the accident. On Monday evening Dr. Curry of this city was called in consultation.

Both doctors agree that the case is a very grave one, the injuries being as described at the head of this article. Complications that would preclude hope are feared.

John Dennen is one of the leading and substantial residents of Exchange. He is a married man about forty-nine years of age.

LABOR UNIONS' URGENT REQUEST

WASHINGTON, April 15. An effort is being made by the unions of organized labor to prevent the awarding of government contracts to firms and individuals, who do not employ union labor, or observe the eight-hour law. It is understood that the Typographical and Bookbinders' unions have written to every department in Washington asking that only bids from firms using the union label and employing men working the eight-hour shift be honored.

The labor unions find particular fault with the award of contracts by the postoffice department. Jacob Konhaus, the oldest and one of the wealthiest citizens of Mechanicsburg, Cumberland county, died Monday in his 95th year. He was a member of the octogenarian association.

COURT REVERSES JUDGMENT

Judge Evans Saturday handed down an opinion in the case of the Borough of Danville vs. the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad company; No. 35 January term, 1907. Certiorari. The court is of the opinion that boroughs can not pass a valid ordinance to regulate the speed of railroad trains within the borough limits.

According to the transcript in this case the plaintiff's demand is for the sum of twenty dollars as the maximum penalty for violation of a borough ordinance.

Section one of the borough ordinance for the violation of which this suit is brought provides that it shall not be lawful for any railroad locomotive, engine or engines, car or cars, train or trains to be run or propelled through any portion of the borough of Danville at a greater rate of speed than eight miles an hour. A penalty of not less than ten dollars nor more than twenty dollars for each offence is imposed by the ordinance.

The transcript contains this language: "After hearing the testimony, proofs and allegations, I, William V. Oglesby, justice of the peace of the first ward of Danville, do find that the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad company, defendant herein, did on the 9th day of November, 1906, run or propel a passenger train through a portion of the third ward of the borough of Danville, Montour county, Pa., between the hours of 10 and 11 a. m., at a greater rate of speed than eight miles an hour, to wit 39 miles an hour, contrary to the above recited ordinance and I do adjudge that the said defendant does forfeit, therefore, to the plaintiff herein, the borough of Danville, the sum of twenty dollars together with costs of suit."

The court after citing the specifications of error assigned to the record in this case, proceeds to the main question involved, which is whether or not the borough of Danville can pass a valid ordinance to regulate the speed of railroad trains within the borough limits.

The question is as to the power of a borough to require a railroad company to do a particular thing, which, in the judgment of the borough the company ought to do within the borough limits for the safety of the public in connection with the operation of its road. In other words, can the borough of Danville require the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad company to adopt what it regards as proper means, viz: not to run nor propel its locomotives, engines, cars or trains through any portion of the borough of Danville at a greater rate of speed than eight miles per hour, for the protection of the public.

This case is ruled by Pennsylvania Railroad company's case 213 Pa. 373 and the Crafton Borough case 17th Dist. Report 204.

In the Pennsylvania railroad company's case the borough of North Braddock passed an ordinance requiring the Pennsylvania Railroad company to erect and maintain and operate safety gates at the point where the tracks of said railroad company cross Fourth street in the borough of North Braddock and imposing a penalty for any failure to comply with the provisions thereof. The supreme court declared the ordinance invalid in plain terms.

Mr. Justice Brown in speaking for the supreme court says: beginning on page 375, "In the operation of its road and in the running of its cars the judgment of the board of directors of a railroad company, in the absence of statutory provisions, is supreme and exclusive. The public safety imperatively requires that there be no division of this great responsibility with others—not even with the municipalities through whose limits railroads may run—for division of it would be the shifting of it in every case of accountability for failure to properly operate the road or run the cars. What particular means, however, shall be employed to protect the public when using streets or highways at rail road crossings is left to the company operating the road, the law merely demanding and requiring reasonable care in view of all the circumstances.

"What is attempted by the appellee in the present case? Having no voice in the operation of the appellant's road it undertakes to do what the common law itself does not do. It assumes to declare how the railroad shall perform a public duty at a particular point and would substitute its judgment for that of the board of directors as to what kind of protection shall be offered at the grade crossing, but with no corresponding responsibility resting on it for the inadequacy of the means which it declares must be adapted. If it has the power to require the appellant to erect safety gates it has the power to require the adoption from time to time of such other means as in its

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THE STANDING COMMITTEE

The result of the primary election as relates to the standing committee of the Democratic party presents something of a problem. The computation and canvassing of returns in progress in the county commissioners' office yesterday revealed that in at least one township—Liberty—no one was voted for as member of the standing committee.

Each district is entitled to two committeemen and the two voted for receiving the highest number of votes are elected. In a couple of the townships—Limestone and Mayberry—it will be seen they occurred. It is not clear what means will be employed to decide which of the tied candidates shall become members of the standing committee.

As will be observed from the following list a large number of men were voted for to be members of the standing committee.

Anthony township—Mont Derr, 5; John Dennen, 5; S. J. Dennen, 1; William Mohr, 1. Cooper township—Melvin Shultz, 5; William Fern, 4. Danville, 1st ward—W. Vestine, 1; E. H. Miles, 2; W. G. Maier, 1; Geo. Maier, 1; William Linker, 1; Thomas Trainor, 2; J. C. Heddens, 2; W. A. Sechler, 1; W. Fred Jacobs, 1; Thomas G. Vincent, 1; Dr. I. G. Barber, 1; George Ross, 1.

Second ward—W. H. N. Walker, 14; Albert Kemmer, 13; J. W. Pursel, 1; Jno. A. Carr, 1; Grant Gullick, 1; P. J. Keefer, 1. Third ward—T. Werkheiser, 97; Frank Russell, 119; Thomas Grimes, 110; James Ryan, 1. Fourth ward—Theodore Becker, 18; Willis Murphy, 1; Fred Wendel, 13; George Baehinger, 3; Harry Moyer, 2; George Rodenhoffer, 1; James McCormick, 1; Charles Pusey, 1.

Derry township—Samuel Lobach, 14; C. E. Shires, Sr., 9; William L. Snyder, 8. Limestone township—G. Van Orstrand, 1; John C. Foulk, 1; C. L. Gouger, 1; John Ashenfelder, 1; P. J. Cromis, 1.

Mahoning township—Alfred Mellin, 8; Thomas Madden, 1; William Shultz, 2; James Rudy, 1; J. T. Krum, 1; John Starr, 1. Mayberry township—J. M. Vought, 1; R. E. Bird, 1; D. H. Vought, 1; Isaac Adams, 1.

Valley township—W. D. Wise, 32; N. E. Sidler, 24; Jonathan Fry, 1; H. A. Sidler, 1. Washingtonville—W. D. Seidel, 29; T. F. Kerswell, 26; Harry Pollock, 1. West Hemlock township—S. B. Flick, 23; W. L. Davis, 6; C. C. Sterling, 1.

AN ADDRESS BY PROF. LAPLACE

An event of unusual importance to the medical fraternity of Columbia and surrounding counties, is scheduled to take place at the Court House, at Bloomsburg, on next Tuesday, April 21, when Dr. Ernest Laplace, of Philadelphia, will deliver a lecture. Invitations have been sent to all of the physicians in this and other counties bordering on Columbia, and it is expected that there will be fully fifty doctors in attendance.

Dr. Laplace is professor of surgery in the Medico-Chirurgical College, in Philadelphia, and has reached the highest rung of the ladder of success in his chosen profession. He has two subjects, "Some of the Recent Experiments and Discoveries of Pasteur," and "The Diagnosis of Abdominal Troubles." He has not decided as to which will be his subject, but it will probably be the first mentioned.

Headquarters of the Columbia County Medical Society, which has arranged for the coming of Dr. Laplace, will be at the Exchange hotel. A banquet will be served the physicians there. The meeting will convene at 1:30 o'clock.

ROY KELLER WON THE MEDAL

Roy Keller, of Berwick, won the medal offered by William Spicer, of Danville, for the person making the highest score at the shooting match, held at the Rupert Fishing and Hunting Club's grounds on Tuesday afternoon. His record was 23 out of a possible 25 blue rocks.

About twenty enthusiastic sportsmen from all over the county attended the match, and there was some very good shooting.

On April 30 and May 1, another match will be held under the "Pay Back" system, for championship of the county. Mr. Spicer will also conduct this tournament, and prizes will be offered for the persons making the highest scores in different events. Several representatives of gun companies and powder companies will be present and give exhibitions in fancy shooting.

CONGREGATION WILL DISSOLVE

The congregation of the Immanuel Baptist church, this city, has decided to dissolve. The church property at the corner of Walnut and Church streets will be sold and the proceeds placed on deposit for the purpose of furnishing a hospital, the building of which is contemplated in this city.

The Immanuel Baptist church was organized about 1893. At one time it had a membership of sixty-two. But of late the congregation has dwindled very much in numbers. For several years past it has been difficult to get a quorum together.

Under the circumstances the only thing that remained to be done seemed to be to dissolve. Accordingly, a meeting was held on Sunday, April 5th, and the action described above was taken. The trustees of the church are George Hunlock, Thomas W. Mills, William James and Walter Keller. The action taken, which was suggested by George Hunlock, was unanimous.

The church property consists of the church edifice and two properties fronting on Church street. The cost of the whole to the congregation was \$4011.00. The only debt is a mortgage of \$1000. The balance \$3011, was all contributed by the people of Danville.

It was a consideration of the latter fact that impelled the congregation to apply the proceeds of the sale to the furnishing of a hospital. No time has as yet been set for disposing of the property. An effort will be made to realize as much as possible on the sale. From the proceeds the mortgage of \$1000 will be deducted; the balance will be deposited in the First National Bank of Danville to be donated to the new hospital, to be used in furnishing the institution. Should the hospital not be built the money is to be kept on deposit in the First National bank for five years. At the expiration of that time, if the hospital has not been built, the money is to be removed from the bank and divided equally between the Joseph Ratti hospital at Bloomsburg and the Mary M. Packer hospital at Sunbury.

The leading spirits in the organization of the Immanuel Baptist church were the Rev. A. B. Still, Judson Still and family, J. D. Howerly and others. The first pastor was the Rev. J. W. Crawford, a zealous and energetic minister of the gospel, who assisted at the work of erecting the church. For a long time the pulpit was filled with supplies and with students from Bucknell university. For over a year past no services have been held in the church.

WINNERS OF P. O. S. OF A. MEDAL

The names of Elmer Watts, of Washingtonville, and Miss Margaret Shultz, of Derry township, have been announced as the winners of the medal offered by Washington camp No. 365, P. O. S. of A., for the highest average attained by pupils of Washingtonville and Derry township in the examination for county diplomas. The entire classes of the two above named districts with their averages are as follows:

WASHINGTONVILLE. Elmer Watts, 82; Helen Robinson, 86.

DERRY TOWNSHIP. Margaret Shultz, 87; Katie Cooper, 73; Elroy Cooper, 69; Harvey Whipple, 76; Hilda Clark, 79; Walter Rhoads, 80; Anna Robinson, 80; Pauline Runyan, 73.

There were two prizes offered by the camp, one for the boy and the other for the girl in the two districts attaining the highest average. The prize is valued at five dollars.

As an effect of the prizes offered a friendly rivalry was stimulated among the pupils of the eighth grade. The general good effect is seen in the fact that none of the pupils failed in the examination. It was necessary to attain an average of 65 in order to pass.

W. S. CRAIG WAS A FREEMASON

W. S. Craig, whose death occurred at Sault Ste. Marie, Canada, and who will be brought to this city for burial tomorrow, was a member of Mahoning lodge, No. 516, F. & A. M., of this city. The members accordingly will attend the funeral and will observe the burial rites of the order at the grave.

Local Freemasons will convene at the lodge room in Opera House block at 10 o'clock and proceed to the station at 10:26 Pennsylvania train, after which they will accompany the remains to the cemetery.

The man who is always saying unkind things about his neighbors loses the friendship of all save the base.

TOTALS RECEIVED BY CANDIDATES

Agreeably to the uniform primaries act the vote cast for the different persons named upon the party ballots, certified to in due and proper form, before noon Tuesday, was returned to the county commissioners, who at noon Wednesday publicly commenced the computation and canvassing of the returns, after which they will make the proper certification of returns of votes cast for the candidates for nomination for members of Congress or for State offices to the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

According to the returns brought in to the office of the county commissioners the total of the votes received by each of the persons voted for on the party ballots is as follows:

REPUBLICAN PARTY.

Delegates to national convention—Hon. Frederick A. Godcharles, 457; James Searles, 532.

Alternates—George E. Rohrbach, 442; E. G. Sylvara, 412.

Delegates to State convention—William J. Rogers, 494; T. L. Bedea, 1; D. C. Jones, 1; Ambrose Cromis, 1.

Representative in congress—E. W. Samuel, 492; John G. McHenry, 1.

Representative in general assembly—Charles W. Cook, 233; Hon. R. S. Ammerman, 298; George Maier, 6.

County Commissioners—Jonathan F. Mowrer, 311; George R. Sechler, 462; John P. Weaver, 195; George W. Miles, 9; John Coleman, 2; Fred Jacobs, 3.

County auditor—J. Harry Woodside, 506; B. L. Diehl, 2.

County chairman—John E. Roberts, 508; Alex. Foster, 1.

DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Delegates to national convention—Mathias Croninger, 804; Charles E. Eut 697.

Alternates—Thomas G. Vincent, 1040; Alphonus Walsh, 793.

Delegates to State convention—Samuel C. Rebman, 969.

Representative in congress—John G. McHenry, 1064; Edmund W. Samuel, 2.

Representative in general assembly—Hon. Robert Scott Ammerman, 711; George Maier, 611; C. W. Cook, 2.

District attorney—Charles P. Gearhart, 951.

County commissioners—Michael Breckbill, 493; John Coleman, 634; W. Fred Jacobs, 504; George W. Miles, 611; George R. Sechler, 2.

County auditors—Benjamin L. Diehl, 724; Amanda C. Shultz, 535; Thomas Van Sant, 618.

County chairman—John G. Waite, 919.

PROHIBITION PARTY.

Delegates to the State convention—David Gibson, 35; William N. Wallis, 35.

County commissioners—Stephen E. Nevins, 35; Thomas B. Yerg, 34.

County auditor—Clark E. Boone, 33; John M. Kelso, 36.

Representative in general assembly—Hon. R. S. Ammerman, 29; C. W. Cook, 1.

County chairman—Frank P. Johnson, 35.

Treasurer of county committee—William H. Mauger, 37.

Secretary to county committee—John M. Kelso, 37.

OLD RESIDENT CLAIMED BY DEATH

Thomas Augustus Ortman, an old and highly esteemed resident of Derry township, departed this life at 7:45 o'clock Monday evening, after a protracted illness.

Mr. Ortman was 75 years of age. He was born in Germany, but came to this country at an early age. Before taking up his residence in Derry township he was a resident of Danville and was well known among our townspeople.

The deceased is survived by his widow and the following sons and daughters: Henry A. Ortman, of Jerseytown; Charles A. Ortman, of Bloomsburg; George A. Ortman, and Mrs. Mary C. Thomas of Danville; Emily M. Tanner, Maudsle; Susanna M. Bogart, Sherburne, N. Y.; Ella Moser, Washingtonville; Anna B. Koefler, Pottsgrove.

The funeral will take place at 10 a. m. Friday from the Lutheran church at Washingtonville. Interment in the cemetery adjoining.

The services will be conducted by the Rev. Mr. Phlegger, pastor of the Lutheran church at Ringtown.

Sunbury Dealers Arrested. The following dispatch of local interest comes from Harrisburg: "Dairy and Food Department agents have started a crusade against impure and adulterated vinegar. Two dealers have been arrested at Sunbury and one at Williamsport, and department men are after others in different parts of the state."