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ITEMS CONDENSED.

Slamming a door upon the tail of her pet cat, Mabel Bull, of Yoe, York county, had her face badly lacerated by the claws of the frightened and pained animal.

Rev. George L. Schaffer, Jr., pastor of the Beckman Memorial Methodist Episcopal church in Doylestown, has announced that shirt waist men and hatless women will be welcome at the church services and each one will be presented with a palm-leaf fan.

Deputy Attorney General Cunningham, on the part of the State, on Thursday brought suit against the borough of Pottstown for the recovery of \$1,458.25, representing the borough's unpaid tax on loans. The borough having repeatedly refused to pay it.

Geologist E. W. Warner has discovered a large and valuable deposit of mail, a good fertilizer, on the M. Coover farm, on the border of Cumberland county, near Dillsburg.

By the explosion of a cannon fire cracker in his hands on the Fourth, Harry Fronzelselt of Philadelphia age 12 years his face was burned so badly that he will lose the sight of both his eyes.

During a heavy rain on Friday evening Mrs. Mary Goodyear, of Beaver Falls, ran out with a broom to keep the water from flooding her cellar and fell into a deep hole made by the torrent. She would probably have been drowned had not some persons nearby dragged her out, almost strangled with mud and water, but still clinging to her broom.

Overtaken on Thursday night on Third street, Pittsburg, a party of young people sought refuge under an awning at a grocery store, when a lightning struck the awning and the ladies of the party were rendered unconscious, one remaining in that condition for three hours and the other four.

B. F. Hiestand, of Marietta, a prominent banker and business man, celebrated his eightieth birthday anniversary on Friday, by giving a dinner to those connected with or employed by the various enterprises in which he has an interest. There were 150 present. Mr. Hiestand has been in business sixty years and has been president of the Exchange bank, of Marietta thirty-four years.

The corner stone of the first state orphanage of the Patriotic Order of Americans was laid on the Fourth at Millville, Columbia county. The state officers participated and Mrs. Samuel Hess, of Berwick, laid the stone, using a silver trowel.

An oil tank on the Charles Harvey farm near Graysville, Washington county, was struck by lightning on Friday night and over 1000 barrels of oil were consumed.

A freight train on the Reading-Stationing branch of the Reading railway on Friday ran into a herd of fine cattle belonging to Ephraim Dries, at Evansville, and killed five of them.

During a thunder storm on Saturday afternoon Siebert hall, the girls' dormitory at Susquehanna university, Selingsgrove, was struck by lightning and set on fire but by the heroic work of the summer students the building was saved.

A newly organized coal company is about to develop a tract of 1600 acres of coal lands in Beaver and Roaring Creek townships, Columbia county, which promise a big yield. This is said to be the only undeveloped virgin tract of anthracite coal in the State.

On the night of the Fourth, in Lancaster, William Nagle fired a loaded revolver, when the bullet glanced from the paved street, struck the brick wall of the house opposite, rebounded and hit Miss Ada Hess on the back of the head. The bullet could not be located and her condition is serious.

Early on Sunday morning Policeman Hope, of Philadelphia, found a boy baby about 2 months old on the platform of Columbia avenue station, Reading railroad, nicely wrapped up in a heavy cloth, with just enough of an opening to enable the child to breathe. It is believed it was thrown from a passing train, and being so well padded sustained no injury. The child was taken to the Children's Homeopathic hospital.

While George Davis and James Murphy were wrestling on a towboat on the Monongahela river below Fredericktown, Washington county, on Saturday evening, they fell overboard and Davis was drowned.

WILL ENFORCE MARKET ORDINANCE

The market ordinance as pertains to the use of dry measure in selling fruits, berries, etc., is to be strictly enforced in the future.

Mr. Russell called attention to the dissatisfaction that exists among the patrons of the curbstone market over the practices of vendors, which, he said, fall little short of extortion.

On motion it was ordered that the market master strictly enforce Section II of the ordinance on market.

Borough Electrician Newton Smith presented a report for the month of June. Sixty tons of coal amounting to \$165 were consumed.

Mr. Russell moved that the public be permitted to dump clean ashes along with earth that may accumulate where building operations are on foot at the narrowest point on West Mahoning street where filling up is necessary to widen the street.

On motion of Mr. Moyer it was ordered that several lights be placed on the lawn at the Goodwill hose house to illuminate the spot while festivals are being held there during the next few weeks.

David Reese and Walter Lovett appeared before council to present an estimate on the cost of lighting the Y. M. C. A. building with borough light.

The application presented for a franchise by the promoters of a new electric light company was discussed at some length. Action was deferred until next meeting, meanwhile some matters pertaining to the proposition will be investigated.

On motion of Mr. Everhart it was ordered that a vote of thanks be extended to Mrs. John R. Bennett for iron settees as well as to the public spirited citizens generally who contributed money and flowers and labored so industriously to bring about the completion of the park.

The following members were present: Schatz, Pursel, Everhart, Moyer, Russell, Marshall, Angle, Connolly and Cleaver.

The following bills were approved for payment:

Table with 2 columns: Department and Amount. Includes Borough Department, Labor and hauling, J. H. Cole, U. S. Express Co, Washington Fire Co, Garlock Packing Co, Stewart Elec. Co, James Gibson, Wallace Hoover, W. W. Mottern, F. P. Startzel, Joseph Lechner, T. B. Evans, Penna. R. R. Co, Friendship Fire Co, Labor and hauling, D. L. & W. R. R. Co, F. Hartman, Regular employes, Water Department, Regular employes, P. H. Foust, Agt, Friendship Fire Co, Joseph Lechner, Garlock Packing Co, Crandall Packing Co, D. C. Hunt, A. M. Peters, J. F. Tooley, Dr. C. Shultz.

Joseph Phillips, of Scranton, aged 35 years, was arrested on the Fourth on the charge of killing his wife, who lay dead on the floor of her home for several hours while her husband was in a nearby saloon.

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A NOISY FOURTH OF JULY

Fourth of July passed off without anything occurring to mar the pleasure of the occasion. It is true, there was no amazing array of events scheduled, but all the essential of a good-old-fashioned Fourth of July were present—even the noise.

To enlarge upon the latter feature, it is doubtful whether there ever was a noisier Fourth of July in Danville or one during which a greater quantity of fireworks was discharged.

Between 2 o'clock and dawn the town slept. In the interim the lovers of noise braced themselves for a fresh effort and as soon as the rosy tints began to paint the eastern sky a few scattered shots were heard and by the time the sun appeared the battle was on.

There was a lull about the middle of the day, but during the evening the noise exceeded anything ever heard in Danville. The most of the fireworks were discharged in the vicinity of Mill and Mahoning streets.

A large number of rockets were discharged during the evening and some very fine effects were produced. A few persons were slightly burned about the hands, but so far as learned no casualty worth noting occurred.

THE FUNERAL OF DAVID CLARK HUNT

The funeral of David Clark Hunt took place at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon from the late residence, West Mahoning street. Interment was made in Fairview cemetery.

The services were conducted by the Rev. James Wollaston Kirk, pastor of the Mahoning Presbyterian church, of which the deceased was a member.

Members of Montour Castle No. 188, K. G. E. to which the deceased belonged, attended the funeral in a body. Among those present from out of town were the following: Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Alward of Bellwood; George Hunt of Altoona; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hunt of Shamokin; Mrs. James of Decatur, Ill.; Dr. Charles J. Hunt and Miss Mary Brown of Philadelphia; Charles Richard, Miss Mame Richard, of Wapwallopen; Mr. and Mrs. Blind, Mrs. William Kelly of Nanticoke; Mrs. Walter Drumheller, of Sunbury; Mrs. Ryder of Scranton; Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Weaver of Mahoning township.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

A largely attended and interesting session of Montour castle, No. 188, Knights of the Golden Eagle, was held Monday evening at which the installation of officers for the ensuing six months took place.

The officers installed were as follows: Past chief, Herbert Hendricks; noble chief, Harry Moyer; vice chief, Clark Rishel; high priest, Charles Wagner; venerable hermit, B. F. Foulk; sir herald, Roy VanGilder; ensign, Frank L. Hartline; esquire, Ralph H. White; first guard, Harry M. Yeager; second guard, George Gulliver; worthy chamberlain, John Henning; worthy bard, Dallas Hummer; trustee, William B. Hanser.

Big Crop of Wheat.

Farmer J. O. Warner has finished cutting wheat at the farm connected with the hospital for the insane. The crop is a very good one and comprises sixty acres. One field of fifteen acres has already been hauled into the barn.

Purchased Property.

Mrs. Catherine DeSlay Tuesday purchased the property of Mrs. Mary Densberger on A street.

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MUST ERECT SOLDIERS' MONUMENT

Certain facts have come to light relative to the contemplated soldiers' monument that would indicate that many complications may arise and that, at best, there are poor prospects of the monument being completed this year.

It is now generally conceded that the county commissioners will have to award the contract and erect the monument. This discovery is bound to create surprise, as the soldiers' monument committee is understood to have already invited bids, if it has not awarded the contract for the monument.

The solicitor for the board of county commissioners Monday in explaining his view was emphatic in the declaration that the county will have "to erect" the monument.

In view of the plain language of the act it is singular that the impression should have gotten abroad that the awarding of the contract and the building of the monument would devolve upon any other body than the county commissioners. Section 1 of the act of April 3, 1903, reads as follows:

"On the petition of at least fifty citizens to the court of quarter sessions for the erection or completion of a monument in memory of the soldiers and sailors of the late war it shall be the duty of said court to lay said petition before the grand jury and if approved by two successive grand juries and said court the county commissioners shall be authorized to erect and complete any monument now partly completed and maintain at the county seat a suitable monument in memory of the soldiers and sailors of the late war of the rebellion."

At the February session of court, pursuant to a petition for a monument duly signed, the grand jury awarded five thousand dollars to be expended for a soldiers' monument as provided by the above act. In addition to this amount the soldiers' monument committee had raised a considerable sum by popular subscription. Since court more money is said to have been raised but just what amount is available in the hands of the committee is not known for a certainty but it is understood to be several thousand dollars.

As the county commissioners are to build the monument the logical inference would be that they would build a monument for five thousand dollars, the sum fixed by the grand jury. This would be true if there was no other money available than the amount that comes from the county. No less an authority than the solicitor of the board of county commissioners is cited to show that all money collected can be used in conjunction with that awarded by the grand jury in the building of a monument. All that remains for the soldiers' monument committee to do is to turn the money it has collected over to the county commissioners, take the receipt of the latter for the amount and leave the whole matter of monument erection with the county. The county commissioners then, instead of contracting for a five thousand dollar monument, will contract for one to cost that sum plus the amount that they received from the soldiers' monument committee.

The solicitor cited the case of Lock Haven, where the same amount for a monument was awarded by the grand jury as here, five thousand dollars. The county commissioners took over three thousand dollars which had been collected by outside parties and awarded a contract for an eight thousand dollar monument. The work on the Lock Haven monument is well under way and will be completed by fall.

It is much feared that as things stand there will be delay in completing the monument here. What the next step will be is uncertain. It is hardly probable that much in the way of actual building will be done this summer. All of which is to be regretted, as without the completion of the monument, it will be impossible to finish the driveways in the park while the bare foundation of the monument and the rough fence enclosing it offend the eye and detract from the beauty of the park.

AGED LADY FRACTURED HIP

Mrs. C. S. Wetzel, of Philadelphia, formerly of this city, who is visiting at the home of her son, Edward W. Wetzel, West Mahoning street, sustained a fall Monday morning which resulted in fracturing her left hip.

Mrs. Wetzel is 78 years of age, and the injury coming at her time of life and when she was enjoying a visit at her old home makes the case particularly unfortunate one.

MORE SEATS ARE NEEDED

Now that the park has reached completion new problems arise relative to the grounds that may require additional legislation by council. The park having been finished so nicely and laid out at such great expense it is a question with many people whether a watchman will not have to be employed eventually to look after the place.

How to keep down the grass and weeds, keep the tract sprinkled, and prevent wanton destruction are among the first problems to be met.

Nine hundred feet of water pipe additional are being installed this week, taking in nearly the entire park. Twelve spigots are called for, distributed at intervals over the tract so that by means of fifty-foot sections of hose every part of the park can be reached.

Sprinkling will have to be relied on almost solely, especially during the remainder of the present season. The sod, which has been put down at so much expense, the beautiful flower beds and the grass growing from the seed is just now trembling in the balance and will have to be watered daily, if it is to survive the terrible drought.

Almost all the work needed on the park could probably be done by the regular employes of the borough. Sprinkling seems to be the most marked exception. This is a work that has to be done after the sun ceases to be a factor in the sky—at an hour when the regular employes are off duty.

Superintendent Keefe induced a couple of men to remain after working hours Monday night for the purpose of sprinkling the park. Several persons living near lent their assistance so that practically the entire park was sprinkled. Tuesday morning the sod and the flowers appeared very much refreshed and invigorated. The problem of sprinkling is giving Superintendent Keefe a good deal of concern.

A little thought and observation will convince any one that there is enough work connected with the park to keep one man busy. It should make little difference to the borough whether the work on the park is done by several men at irregular intervals or by one man employed there all the time. Under the latter arrangement there would always be a person of authority on hand at the park to exercise the function of watchman.

INJURED BALL PLAYER DIES

Hit on the head by a pitched ball during the game of base ball between Benton and Divide, at Benton on Saturday afternoon, Elmer Cole, the eighteen-year-old son of William Cole of Berwick, was rendered unconscious and on Monday morning at four o'clock passed away at the Wilkes-Barre City hospital where he had been taken by Dr. Sidney Hoffa, of Benton, and Dr. Hill, of Berwick, for treatment. Young Cole had been employed in Benton for the past month and on Saturday agreed to play with the Benton base ball team against Divide. While at bat he was struck on the left side of the head by a ball delivered by Howard Shaanon, of the Divide team. Cole, at first, did not seem to be hurt, but later cerebral hemorrhages developed, and he became constantly worse. His condition became so alarming that the attending physician decided to have him taken to the Wilkes-Barre City hospital for an operation, and Sunday evening he was taken to that place, but it was while the operation was being performed that the young man passed away.

2-CENT FARE LAW UNCONSTITUTIONAL

Declaring the "two-cent fare law" unconstitutional Judge Charles C. Evans on Monday morning handed down an opinion restricting the county of Columbia from bringing any suits against the Susquehanna, Bloomsburg and Berwick Railroad company for violating the act. This means that from this date the S. B. and B. R. R. Co. may charge its former rates of fare, unless the county takes the matter to a higher court, which will hardly be done, in view of a recent decision of the supreme court. This opinion is in response to a bill in equity filed in Prothonotary Terwilliger's office by Seth T. McCormick, attorney for the Susquehanna, Bloomsburg and Berwick Railroad company, May 23, 1908, and answer of Columbia county filed by its solicitor, W. H. Rhawn, of Catawissa, June 16, 1908.

MACADAM NEEDS REPAIRS

Our readers will be surprised to learn that the section of North Mill street between the flouring mill and the borough line, which was macadamized last summer under the act of May 1, 1905, is already in need of repairs.

At the outset it should be stated that, although the highway was completed only last fall, the contractor is not held responsible for the highway at this time, as the bond given by him for the faithful performance of his duty expired last May. Neither is it claimed that the condition of the road is due to imperfect construction or any slight on the part of the contractor. The condition, on the contrary it would seem, is the natural result of the wear and tear to which the street is exposed and was not entirely unexpected.

Along the entire distance, between the Mill and the railroad crossing, the fine top dressing is gone, and the stones that form the next course are bare, bringing about conditions under which the destruction of the road will be rapid, if certain repairs are not made forthwith.

A. S. Clay, engineer of the State highway department, has paid Danville a couple of visits during a few days past for the purpose of making arrangements for beginning repairs. Indeed, it was Engineer Clay who first called attention of the borough authorities to the condition of the street.

That the north Mill street macadam is so badly cut up already attests to the heavy traffic to which the street is exposed. The automobiles, especially, are found to be very hard on the macadam, as the rapidly revolving wheels, with their wide rubber tires, by suction draw up the loose particles of ground flung them right and left, where they are caught in the wind and carried away.

Again, it is a well-known fact that even a well constructed macadam road needs constant attention, if the best service is to be obtained. Most essential of all is constant sprinkling, which prevents the dust nuisance and keeps the roadbed damp and solid. Not only the North Mill street macadam, but the State highway leading to Maudsle affords a good object lesson to show what conditions follow when sprinkling is omitted. For weeks past, during the absence of rain, every passing vehicle has stirred up a dense cloud of dust, which was never seen to settle on the highway but was always blown to the right or left of it by the wind.

It would seem that the State highway department intends to take the initiative in the matter of repairs. On his last visit in Danville Engineer Clay was trying to procure a sprinkler as a very necessary adjunct to be used on the macadam. The borough council will no doubt be asked to join the State highway department in the repairs needed. It is understood that the State will pay fifty per cent of the cost.

DROWNED AT LEWISBURG

Roy Gosner, aged seventeen years, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Gosner, of Lewisburg, was drowned in the river at Lewisburg, Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock. Gosner and Robert Wagner waded out into the river at the railroad bridge until they reached the channel between the second and third piers. The channel is from twenty to thirty feet wide and about eleven feet deep. Wagner swam across to a sand bar, but young Gosner was just learning to swim and failed in the attempt to swim the channel. Wagner called for help and Professor Charles A. Lindeman and Follmer Hoffa, arriving on the scene, recovered the body by diving. Dr. Charles Gandy and Coach Hoskins used every effort to resuscitate young Gosner but without success. Mr. Gosner was a graduate of Bucknell academy, class of 1908, and was a prominent young man, with every prospect of a brilliant future.

THE DEATH OF PETER R. WILLHOUR

Peter R. Willhour, a well known and highly respected farmer, residing at Stonington, Northumberland county, died Tuesday morning from the infirmities incident to old age.

The deceased was aged 85 years, 4 months and 2 days. He was born in the vicinity of Stonington and lived there all his life. His wife and eight children survive. The funeral will take place Saturday morning, meeting at the house at 10 o'clock. Interment will be made in the cemetery at the old Shamok in Baptist church at Stonington.

Born, a Daughter. A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. M. E. McHale, East Center street, Tuesday evening.

BOSS CARPENTER HAS ARRIVED

The rapid progress on the new hospital buildings made by Mosier and Summers is a matter that may be heard commented upon daily. The amount of work that has been accomplished in less than three months is truly remarkable. What reflects additional credit is the fact that nowhere are the buildings being slighted over but the good workmanship is quite as striking as the rapid progress made.

The building for the acute insane female patients is now finished up to the square. The trusses and joists of the ceiling of the second story are in position.

The bricklayers are at present all employed on the building for the acute insane male patients. The walls are laid half-way up to the top of the second story. Inside of a week the building, like the corresponding structure on the female side, will be completed up to the square. Nothing more will remain but to lay up the gables of the two buildings and hand them over to the carpenters.

William Bush, of Buffalo, N. Y., boss carpenter, has arrived and assumed charge. There are now about a dozen carpenters at work. They are preparing the joists and trusses for the ceiling of the second story of the building for the acute insane male patients.

Each of the new buildings is a striking and conspicuous object on the hospital ground. The one for the acute female patients will be under roof next week while the others will be finished up to the square. The big shipment of floor tile, consisting of twenty-two car loads, is beginning to arrive. An enormous quantity of the material has already been unloaded near one of the buildings.

The tile will be inserted between the iron girders and covered with concrete. The concrete in turn will be covered with flooring of double thickness, a sub-floor and floor proper. While not absolutely fire-proof in the new buildings the danger of fire will be reduced to a minimum.

IN DEFENSE OF THE DOG

Throughout the State many communities are in a period of mad dog scares and fears about rabies to such an extent that some advocate the extermination of the whole canine family. These are extremists, but the faithful dog has also many friends who rightfully come to his defense. The Philadelphia Inquirer is one of these, and says: "Dogs have their places and their instrumentalities and they deserve to be cared for according to their merits. The trouble arises from a lot of nondescript homeless curs' who are the proletariat of their kind. A dog that is not well cared for should be killed. But most dogs deserve care, because they repay in many ways the cost of their keep. In the cities dogs must be kept under the owner's control. All others should go to the pound. Give your dog decent food and always plenty of water. The dog cannot talk but any intelligent, loving owner understands his wants. Be good to the dog and he will repay you. If you can't treat him right give him to some one who will but do not let him run the streets until he goes mad, for lack of attention. Remember the ancient saying of the wise man: 'The more I see of men, the better I like dogs.'"

CAN'T FIND MAN FOR DOG WARDEN

The constituted authorities of the town of Bloomsburg are experiencing a good deal of trouble in enforcing their dog muzzling ordinance. The hitch occurred when it was decided to employ a special officer as dog warden, for no one can be found who will assume the responsibility of the position.

Tuesday Chief of Police Baum, who himself had refused to act in the capacity of special dog officer, appointed William Yount. Yesterday, however, Yount could not be found on the job and last evening it was discovered that he had refused the proffered berth. In the meanwhile the Bloomsburg dogs are enjoying their reprieve.

COOLER WEATHER COMES AT LAST

Cooler weather came as predicted. Following the shower Tuesday night the temperature took a sudden drop. Most persons obtained sound refreshing sleep for the first time in several nights. Yesterday morning it was delightfully cool and even after the sun reached its full height the atmosphere was pleasant enabling one to wear a coat and vest with comfort.

Self-government is the most popular fad of the twentieth century.