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REPUBLICAN NOMINATIONS.

JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT
Judge Robert Von Moschzisker, of Philadelphia.

AUDITOR GENERAL,
A. E. SISSON, of Erie.

STATE TREASURER,
Jeremiah A. Stober, of Lancaster.

JURY COMMISSIONER,
W. H. Bullock.

If Dun's Review is authority, Prosperity is still galloping over this country at a rapid gait. Give her her head!

Senator Penrose and Representative Dalzell were the two Pennsylvania statesmen who were honored with places at the dinner given by President Taft to the tariff conferees. There were sixteen others.

Edward Cardin, of Brooklyn, has become twice crazed by reading the Thaw trial. Many others, while not exactly crazy from that cause, are most awfully disgusted with the "fuss and feathers" made over this ordinary criminal.

In many localities in this State, water companies annually run short of water and the consumer must, he thinks, "grin and bear it." The State Water Commissioner declares that failure to furnish water continually, to patrons subjects the water company to forfeiture of charter.

Ruth Bryan Leavitt could not enter into her husband's craze for spoiling good canvas with paints, therefore they are now two. Leavitt says "her ambitions are too domestic. She wanted our lives to centre around the common places of home. My ambitions are more lofty." Ruth is to be congratulated upon the fact that she is well rid of this zany.

State Economic Zoologist, Surface, says that he has never done anything in office so popular as the issue of his weekly Zoological Press Bulletins, which are being eagerly sought by the newspapers of the state and by farmers. The country newspapers are especially interested and publish the bulletins verbatim. Some of the farmers are getting copies to bind and others are pasting their clippings in scrap-books. The bulletin is given over to a discussion of timely topics of plants and plant pests.

The world's aeroplane record for two men, as to both time and distance, was broken in a beautiful flight at Washington on Tuesday of last week of 1 hour 12 minutes 40 seconds, going upward of fifty miles and at a speed averaging about forty miles an hour, by Orville Wright at Fort Myer, with Lieutenant Frank P. Lahm of the army signal corps, as passenger. The former record was made last year by his brother Wilbur, joint inventor with him of the machine in which both achievements were performed, at Le Mans, France, with Professor Painleve of the French institute as passenger. That flight was 1 hour 9 minutes 31 seconds. Wilbur was an eager spectator of the flight by his brother. This success was all important to the Wrights in that it completed the first of two crucial tests of their machine imposed upon them by the United States government—the so-called "endurance test" which required them to remain one hour continuously in the air with one passenger.

EDITORIAL AGRICULTURE.

It is amusing to hear a newspaper editor advise a farmer how to avoid disaster to crops—the advice always coming after the trouble has occurred. The Scranton Times of Thursday, very gravely remarks:

"If farmers in this section have hay out in to-day's rain, it shows poor judgment. With the prolonged dry weather and the grass drying up as it stood instead of growing or being benefited, the mower should have been busy for a couple weeks past and the hay safely placed in the barn."

When in doubt, dear farmer, ask the Times.

Hon. and Mrs. James T. DuBois will leave, Wednesday, August 25, for Singapore, where Mr. D. has been appointed Consul General for the United States. The new Consul isn't sure that he will like his location, and if he doesn't, will return promptly to his home in Hallstead, Pa.

Earthquake, fire and tidal wave made horrible work in Southern Mexico, last Friday. Several hundred in Acapulco alone, were drowned or crushed. Many Americans are in the earthquake zone, and their friends will be anxious until they learn of their safety.

Prohibition of the liquor business in Pennsylvania in five years and in the nation ten years hence was predicted by Mrs. A. P. Parsells, of Philadelphia, at the annual picnic of the Lackawanna County Woman's Christian Temperance union in Nay Aug park Friday last. Therefore, in ten years and one day, be prepared for the millennium.

When a real, live King gets out upon his horse-block to address his loving subjects, and is greeted with cat-calls, cuss-words and other missiles the outlook is rather discouraging for His Majesty. That is what happened to Alphonso, King of Spain, the other day, and it looks very much as though he would be obliged to relinquish his gilded baton and get off the throne. Revolution is surely on in Spain.

A correspondent in the Brooklyn Eagle says:

Justice Gaynor states but the simple truth when he says that if the police of London should attempt the doings of the New York police, there would be a revolution in England. The clubbing of a man is unheard of there. In fact, the police are not permitted to carry a club, but merely a bit of locust about a foot long. Nor is a policeman permitted to strike a man, save when his (the policeman's) life is in danger. Who of us has not time and again seen a policeman in this country with his heavy club belabor some luckless wight who through overindulgence had fallen into his clutches?

Mr. "Native" who furnished the above, was, evidently, never a policeman. Ignorance, brutality and whisky are not proper excuses for the perpetration of assaults upon policemen in the discharge of their duties. The man who properly conducts himself has little to fear from a policeman's club. The one who attempts to make of an officer of the law a punching-bag, usually gets what is due him, and no more.

THE ANGOUMOIS GRAIN MOTH.

Throughout the southeastern part of Pennsylvania there has for some years been an annual destruction of hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of wheat in the bin by a little pest very commonly called the White Weevil or Moth Weevil. As a matter of fact it is not a weevil but a moth, the larva of which lives within the grain, of wheat and hollows it out to such an extent that it becomes a mere hull of bran. It is ruined for milling purposes, and, of course, badly injured for domestic use.

The Angoumois Grain Moth is so named from the province of France where its ravages were first most noted. The mature moth lays its eggs on the grains of wheat while in the head or straw. As it feeds voraciously, in but a short time it multiplies rapidly, giving several successive broods. Where the wheat is left in the straw, as in the stack or mow, it has been found far more infested than when threshed and kept in a bin. Several farmers have replied to State Zoologist Surface that they have acted upon his recommendation of threshing the grain soon after harvest, and have found the results quite satisfactory. One farmer reported that half of his crop, which was threshed shortly after harvest, was entirely uninjured by this pest; while the other half, that was not threshed until the latter part of fall, was nearly all destroyed.

The remedy, therefore, is one of the simplest, and at the same time one of the most effective, that could be applied, and consists in merely threshing the grain as early as is possible and storing it in the bin, rather than keeping it in the straw unthreshed. In the grain bin the moth weevil will work only in the top layer of grain, if at all; and, if it should be found there, as would be indicated by the heating of the grain, it can easily be killed by pouring carbon bisulfide into shallow dishes, and placing them on the grain under cover of wet blankets.

Dr. Emeritus Elliott wishes to be the founder of a New Religion. Please forget it, Dr. The market is too well supplied, now.

Evelyn Thaw will, it is stated, sue for divorce. It is strange what trouble a little streak of un congeniality will cause, even between such model creatures as Harry and Evelyn.

What a nice, quiet time that convention of deaf mutes, at Scranton, next month will be. An extended program has been published, which will be rendered in "sign language." The music for the occasion will we presume be "rendered" in the same way.

And now, we are informed, a Texas cowboy is going to ride a broncho pony all the way from Austin to Washington, D. C., to carry an invitation from Texas to President Taft, to visit that state next Fall. Somebody lend Texas a two-cent stamp.

Three Fort Omaha soldiers, Sergt. Fuller and Privates Goodman and Schmidt, who subjected themselves to typhoid tests have been pronounced immune by the medical department of the garrison. They have tried hard to contract the disease, but can't get it. Isn't it sad, after all the trouble they had taken, that the germs refused to locate.

Orville Wright, the aviator, on Friday last, made the greatest trip yet accomplished by a flying machine. He, with a passenger, made the trip from Washington, D. C., to Alexandria and return at the rate of 42 miles per hour. By this flight he made the \$5,000 bonus, offered by the speed developed in addition to the \$25,000 which the government will give for the aeroplane.

Judge Henderson of the Superior Court in defining Pennsylvania's new marriage law, has declared that: "If one party to the wedding of first cousins brings action to obtain divorce or annulment, a decree may be rendered. Persons who violate the law are liable to prosecution. All marriages between first cousins are void and will not be recognized as binding contracts by the State."

Never heard of a "sham battle," when guns and powder were used, that some unfortunate participant didn't get properly banged. At Mt. Gretna, last Thursday, the State militia played that idiotic game, and the result was that half a dozen "troopers" at least, had gun-wads introduced beneath their skins, and one officer was knocked from his horse, and badly injured. Quit that foolishness. Gun powder isn't fit to play with, in a crowd.

The Scranton Times says that Alfred Ready and two companions in Pittston, Friday night were set upon by three Italians and badly cut. Of course the Italians were the aggressors, but the item does not so state. We will wager dollars to buttons that if Alfred and his friends had attended to their own affairs and let the Italians alone, they wouldn't have been troubled a moment. They can now probably appreciate the wholesome advice of A. Ward, deceased: "Don't monkey with the buzz saw!"

A thousand farms are offered free to citizens of this country, by the U. S. Government. They are situated in Nevada, and the Truckee-Carson irrigation project, if it eventuates, will make these farms fertile and valuable. These lands are free to every bona fide homeseeker, the only expense, with the exception of the nominal filing fee, being the pro rata share of the cost of building the irrigation system. This charge amounts to \$30 per acre, payable in ten annual instalments, without interest. There is no drawing or any element of chance in applying for one of these farms. It is only necessary to make a homestead entry at the land office at Carson City or at the office of the Land Commissioner at Fallon, Nevada.

HYMENIAL.

At the Methodist Episcopal parsonage, in Honesdale, on Wednesday, July 28, 1909, Willis Hector, of Beach Lake, Pa., and Miss Bianche Branning, of Inglehart, Pa.

Justice Court.

Joseph Brair was brought to Honesdale by constable J. B. Grieter and committed to the county jail. Brair hired a horse and wagon, several days ago, from a man in South Sterling. He did not return at the time he said he would, so a search was made for him. Brair and the outfit were found near Pocono.

NEARBY NEWS.

Pittston's shade trees are being destroyed by gas escaping from the mains.

John Proctor, of Canaan street, Carbondale, lost three fingers from his right hand by contact with a buzz saw on Thursday last.

Emma Goldman, the rank anarchist, was last week a visitor at the home of Ferdinand Pinne Earle, the soul mating curiosity of Monroe, Orange county.

Stanley Dovridny, of Scranton, aged nine years, was run over and instantly killed by a Laurel Line electric car, near Maple street station, Friday afternoon.

Monroe county is grieving because the State's county appropriation has been held up. The State Highway Department complained about a deficiency on the Tobyhanna road, and that's why Monroe is anxiously waiting for its \$1,700.

Mrs. William T. Chase, of 69 Linden avenue, Middletown, a third cousin of President Taft, was struck and instantly killed at 5:17 o'clock Wednesday morning at the James street crossing of the Erie railroad, by Erie train No. 8.

State Game Warden, Martin Court-right, of Stroudsburg, says he has killed 113 rattlesnakes this season, and that there are more left, in his locality. It strikes us that said locality would be a good place to move from.

A smart youth in Port Jervis gathered the chain of a boat containing three young ladies who were out rowing, towed them to the middle of the river and kept them there two hours, against their protests and pleadings. He was arrested and fined for disorderly conduct. He should, in addition, have been well thumped.

Harry Dunlap, a young man in the employ of the Port Jervis Light and Power company, had a narrow escape from death by suffocation in a trench on Ferguson Avenue, Port Jervis, Saturday morning. He was in the cave-in five minutes. His hands were badly cut by shovels in the hands of his exhumers, but otherwise he escaped uninjured.

Herman Aufnacht, aged 40 years, and the father of a family, fell from a second-story window of his house in South Scranton, Thursday morning, and received injuries which resulted in his death. He was enraged because his wife had locked him in his room, and while throwing furniture from the window, fell out, striking upon his head.

John Pollice, aged eleven years, residing at Jessup, died at Emergency hospital, Carbondale, Sunday evening of injuries received Saturday at the Peckville station of the Delaware and Hudson road. The little fellow tried to board a passing train and fell under the wheels. His right leg was severed above the knee. He was taken to the Carbondale hospital but died shortly after he was admitted.

Nicholas D'Agostino who, it is alleged, abducted Mary Iaconvone, thirteen years of age, the daughter of Nicholas Iaconvone, of 725 Fellows street, West Scranton, was arrested Friday afternoon by Detective David Davis at a house in South Wilkes-Barre, where he and the girl, it is said, were living together as man and wife. Nicholas is now in jail, and the girl, whom he says he is willing to marry, is at her home.

Messrs. John Happ, Allen and Bert Richards were among the many Port Jervisites who visited Sawkill Falls, Thursday. Beneath the bridge which spans the brook on the road to Raymondskill they saw a snake. Mr. Happ winged the reptile on the tail with a stone. It coiled and puffing up its jaws began to blow—proving it to be a blowing adder. Mr. Allen Richards, in a well directed blow with a stone, smashed its head, thus putting to death another Pike county snake.—Gazette.

By a fire which was started in a shanty where a number of children were "playing house" Saturday afternoon, Annie Bronko, five years old, of Taylor, was fatally burned. The body of the little girl was found burned to a crisp after the blaze had been extinguished. It is supposed that the children set fire to an old bed tick filled with straw which was in the place. The head was burned to an unrecognizable black mass and the arms and legs to a crisp.

Homer Irving, of Johnstown, Pa., attempted to force carbolic acid down his wife's throat last Thursday. Her brothers, hearing her screams, came to her rescue, but she had been badly burned by the acid. When he was arrested later, another bottle of the poison was found in his pockets, which he said he intended to take, after he had killed his wife. He should have taken his dose first.

Joseph Gilboy, of Carbondale, 19 years of age, employed as a car repairer at the yard of the Delaware and Hudson company, was fatally injured while at work Thursday morning. He was releasing an air brake on one of the cars, when it burst and struck him full on the head, fracturing his skull.

In Port Jervis when a man allows his dog to run at large without a muzzle these days, he is fined \$5.00. That should help enforce the ordinance, some.

Over in Pittston the other day, an unruly dog, one of the speckle that has little or no regard for the law or those who are to see that all forms of borough governments are enforced, attacked and bit Chief of Police Kelly as he was walking through an alley. The canine made a jump at the office and before he could drive him off, the dog had sunk his teeth into Mr. Kelly's leg. Shortly after the chief secured his revolver and going after the beast sent a bullet chashing into his head. The head of the canine has been sent to the Pasteur Institute in New York to be examined. Mr. Kelly lost no time in having the wound cauterized.

To the Board of Trade. It has been suggested that the Board of Trade, of Honesdale, which undoubtedly has a nice surplus on hand, should enroll itself as a contributor to the fund for Home Coming Week celebration. Of course, this is but a suggestion, but it strikes us that it isn't a bad one.

Attempted Suicide. Samuel Clift, of Mt. Pleasant, on Friday last dosed himself with half-a-pound of Paris green, in a solution of water. Evidently Samuel took an overdose, as he is still alive.

Stalker Reunion. The eighth annual reunion of the Stalker family will be held at Irvin Conklin's, near Galilee, the last Wednesday in August, the 25th. All the relatives are invited and expected to be present if possible.

Committee Meets To-Night. A meeting of the committees appointed in connection with the Old Home Week celebration, will occur this evening at City Hall. Every member of every committee should be present.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Monroe Austin. Mrs. Monroe Austin died at her home at Indian Orchard, on Saturday, after a few days' illness of pneumonia. Deceased was 52 years of age and was born in Germany. She is survived by her husband and one sister. The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon, services being conducted at 2:30 o'clock by Rev. Wm. Hopp. Interment in Indian Orchard cemetery.

Mrs. Mae Demming. Mrs. Mae Demming died at her home at Clark's Summit on Thursday. Deceased was a former resident of Honesdale. Her husband was, at one time, superintendent of the Honesdale Water Company. She is survived by two children, Nellie and William. The remains were brought to this place on Saturday, and interment was in Glen Dyberry cemetery.

HENRY Z. RUSSELL, President.
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Death of Mrs. Fleming. Word was received at this place on Monday of the death of Mrs. Harley E. Fleming, who died at Danville hospital. Deceased was 78 years of age. Her son, Loring G. Fleming, lives on the Darling farm, in Cherry Ridge. The remains were brought to Cherry Ridge and the funeral was held on Wednesday. Interment was made in Darling cemetery.

More About Our Trolley Road. The Financial Review of Saturday says:

An important meeting was held in Honesdale on Saturday when the Lackawanna Valley Railway Company's stock and franchises became the property of the Wayne Traction Company. This company is incorporated under Pennsylvania railroad laws with a capital of \$300,000, and bonded for \$500,000, to build, construct, maintain and operate an electric railway through the towns of Seelyville, Honesdale, Traceyville, White Mills and Hawley, all in Wayne county, Pennsylvania. The mortgage was drawn up by H. W. Dunning, of Wilkes-Barre. The road will be a high speed, modern interurban railway and will not be what is commonly known as a trolley road. It has its own right of way and perpetual franchises and will be equal to the best steam railroad. The cars to be used will be of the large modern type and all adequately equipped.

There are located on this line of road over seventy very prosperous factories and mills, besides nine of the most successful cut glass factories in the world. Taking the population into consideration, Honesdale is one of the richest valleys in Pennsylvania—the bank deposits alone amounting to nearly \$4,000,000. Public convenience and commercial necessity demand this electric railway service. All the towns located along this line of road are growing in a steady and healthy manner and their progress is of a substantial kind that makes live and prosperous towns, and the day is not far distant when all the towns along this line will double in population.

The old officers of the Lackawanna Valley Railroad Company resigned and new officers for the Wayne Traction Company were then elected as follows: President, Hon. E. B. Hardenbergh, Honesdale, former auditor general of this state; vice president, W. C. Riffert, of Harrisburg, vice president and treasurer of Bankers' Corporation Company, of Reading; secretary and treasurer, Lewis Crater, Harrisburg; general manager, Harry H. Richards, formerly superintendent Honesdale Electric plant; directors, William S. Lambert, president Bankers' Corporation Company, Reading; H. W. Wertz, Newport, Pa., W. A. Kelley, West Pittston, Mr. Moyer, Lancaster.

The bonds are strictly high grade bearing six per cent. interest payable January and July first. They will be redeemable in five years from date at 103 in denominations of \$200, \$500 and \$1,000, free of state tax to the investor.

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