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PRICE CENTS

# HAY-FEVER IS PREVALENT HERE

## "Hard Thing to Cure" Says Dr. E. W. Burns

SEEMS TO BE HEREDITARY AND IT'S POSSIBLE TO OUTGROW IT.

Midsummer has come, August is here, and the sound of the hay-fever sneeze is heard in the land!

With a view to gaining some information that might be of value to readers of this paper, a Citizen man, went the rounds of the offices of the Honesdale medical fraternity one day last week. Unfortunately many of the doctors were either out at the fair or engaged in their customary daily rounds of sick calls.

Dr. E. W. Burns, the Tenth street physician, when seen, talked freely on this seasonal malady. He said: "I think it's a little more prevalent than it used to be. Anyhow it's on the increase from what I can judge."

"There seems to be quite a regularity about it. I don't know that that is an infallible rule. It seems to come on people at just such a time of year. There is nothing to prevent it so far as I know. Its cause is not understood."

"We can say that it is a neurosis, but that's not an answer. Neurosis is an affection of the nervous system. It's of nervous origin."

"We can give patients relief, but it's a mighty hard thing to cure. I think it has existed for a long time. I don't know who first discovered it, but I do think that all agree that a greater proportion of the population are being afflicted with it right along."

"Oftentimes a change of locality seems to be beneficial. Women do not have it worse than men. I never saw it in a child. It is amenable to medical treatment as far as relief is concerned, but the progress in regard to a cure is not very encouraging."

"This is the time of the year for it," said Coroner P. B. Petersen, the main street practitioner.

"Hay fever," he continued, "is a peculiar condition of the mucous membrane susceptible to the dust and pollen from weeds, especially golden rod and rag weed. It attacks most people in the middle of August. Some people get it earlier especially if they have an exciting cause."

"I never knew of a case where children had it. It is frequently accompanied with asthma, although the majority of people don't have asthma with it."

"Most people get relief from going to the mountains. The White Mountains is the favorite resort, you know."

"Very few poor people have it. It's a fashionable disease. It is amenable to constitutional treatment. It is necessary to begin treatment a month before, and continue the treatment right through."

"The best thing to do is to keep out of the dust. Avoid the dust, and especially avoid going into the country and coming in contact with pollen from any weed in bloom at this time of the year, like golden rod and ragweed."

"I have a theory of my own about it that is not found in any of the books. It's a chronic disease. You inherit it from one or two or three generations back. The old name for that chronic condition was scrofula. It may be cancer or scrofula or tuberculosis or some incurable blood disease in an ancestor."

"It may skip a generation absolutely. It's hereditary. It's a blood taint from an incurable chronic disease in an ancestor, commonly called scrofula."

"Patients outgrow it, and even get over it, sometimes. Constitutional remedies taken for a month beforehand and continued throughout modify the attack very much, and some patients get absolute relief."

"Ker-chew! A-chew! Ker-chew!!"

### FINDS TWO MEN UNCONSCIOUS.

Howard J. Erk, chauffeur for Hon. E. B. Hardenbergh, while returning home from a drive Sunday, saw two men lying along the roadside. Stopping the car he found that both were unconscious. He immediately drove to Hawley for a physician and returned with him to where the men were still lying. After hard work they regained consciousness. The injured men were John Williams and Daniel Corcoran. Their horses became frightened and both thrown out of the buggy and rendered unconscious. How long the men had laid there before being discovered is not known.

### Death of Charles E. Howell.

Charles E. Howell, South Canaan, father of Prof. A. H. Howell, White Mills, died suddenly Thursday night after spending the day at Scranton, where he and Mrs. Howell attended a family reunion. Dr. Noble, of Waymart, was called but Mr. Howell was dead when he arrived. The deceased was a trustee of the South Canaan Methodist Episcopal church, also a trustee of the cemetery company at that place. He was a man well known and highly esteemed. The following are survivors: George R., of Scranton; Arthur H., White Mills; William H., Scranton; his wife and Phoebe C., Howell, at home; also by one sister, Mrs. Joseph H. Earl, of Highland Mills, N. Y. The funeral was held on Sunday.

# 4,373 LICENSES SINCE 1885

## First Marriage License Was Granted to Colored Couple

OVER ONE-THIRD HAVE BEEN GRANTED BY MR. M. J. HANLAN.

Four thousand three hundred and seventy-three marriage licenses have been granted in Wayne county, from the time the Act of Assembly went into effect, in the Fall of 1885, up to the present time.

The first marriage license was granted by Clerk of the Orphans' Court W. A. Gaylord to Richard Watrous and Caroline Brown, both of whom were colored, and residents of Texas township. Each of the contracting parties gave their occupation as laborer, the groom being 36 years six months and one day old, and the bride thirty-five past, when the nuptial knot was tied at Honesdale, the same day as the license was issued, by Justice of the Peace James B. Eldred.

"A relatively small proportion of people are married by Justices in Wayne county," said Clerk of the Orphans' Court M. J. Hanlan to a Citizen man. "The fee used to be fifty cents for a license certificate. A recent law, passed about three years ago, increased the fee to one dollar."

"Two or three marriage licenses were unused. They are good until used. People change their minds sometimes, and I suppose don't want to use them."

"So, there were no 'common law' marriages in my day. I don't know of any common law marriages in Wayne county."

"Three or four times I was routed out of bed to issue licenses. As a general rule it was a case of compulsion or necessity. The girl was generally in trouble, and they wanted things fixed up for fear the prospective groom would run away."

"There have been couples married in the court house room upstairs. One couple was married there by Squire William H. Ham."

"The prothonotaries since the Act of 1885 were W. A. Gaylord from 1885-1888; P. B. Carr from 1888-1894; George A. Smith from 1894-1900; W. A. Gaylord from 1900-1903; and M. J. Hanlan from 1903 to the present time."

Of the 4,373 licenses issued in the past twenty-six years, 1419 or over one-third were granted by Prothonotary M. J. Hanlan.

On an average 163 licenses were issued annually, or about fourteen a month, or one every other day.

## BURGLAR (?) ON ROOF OF QUINNEY HOUSE

Mrs. Herbert Quinney, Ridge street, was awakened about 12:30 Tuesday morning by unfamiliar sounds at the rear of the house. She stepped to her bedroom window and saw a light burning in the home of N. J. Spencer, a neighbor, and thinking the noise was that made by dogs she returned to her bed. Then in the quietude of the night she heard a soft whistle as if someone was attracting the attention of another, and almost simultaneously the creaking of the tin roof over the kitchen led her to believe that there was someone outside.

Looking out again, it was then dark. The light in the Spencer home had been extinguished. Still Mrs. Quinney heard the creaking of the tin, as it gave way as the would-be sneak thief stepped back and forth on the roof. She went to a window of an adjoining room, crouched down on the floor and looked out of the window. Outside, on the roof, in a squatting position, the form of a man was seen. Mrs. Quinney described him to a Citizen man as being very large and wore a derby hat and black clothes. "I was never more frightened in all my life," she said, "and in my fright I called Mr. Ball. The man," she continued, said: "You needn't be afraid of me, I wouldn't hurt you." But that shriek brought William Ball and N. J. Spencer to my home. By that time the man was nowhere around, having jumped from the roof when I called."

Mrs. Quinney stated that she and her daughter, Marion, were the only persons in the house; her son and Mother Quinney were in the country. About three years ago a man came in their yard but was removed by her husband before getting in the house.

### MR. BULLER IS READY TO TAKE HOLD.

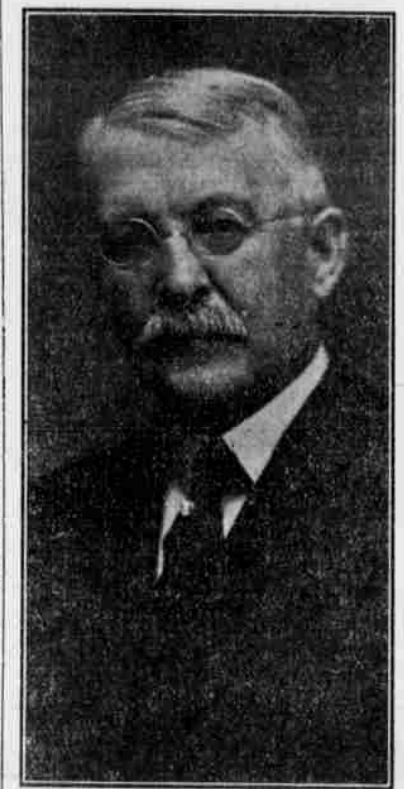
Nathan R. Buller, the new Commissioner of Fisheries, who is to take office on the first of September, is preparing to take hold of the office and will come here a few days before to be sworn in. Mr. Buller has been quietly working out some plans for the improvement of the State's fish service and will put them into execution at an early day. One of his first moves will be a tour of the hatcheries and plants of the State and an overhauling of methods. It is not known if there will be any appointments made at first. William E. Meehan, the retiring commissioner, is preparing a statement of what has been done in the department under his direction.—Harrisburg Telegraph.

From the Harrisburg Telegraph of last Saturday, August 19, we take the following:

# JUDGE SEARLE PAPERS FILED

## Candidacy is Favored by Many Men Prominent in Affairs

Honorable Alonzo T. Searle, president judge of the Twenty-second judicial district, filed his nomination papers to-day. His district is composed of the county of Wayne and this year there are five candidates for the nomination—two Republicans, two Democrats and one Keystone. A glance at Judge Searle's papers indicates that many of the strongest Republicans of the county favor his candidacy, the signers including the prominent members of the bar in his party, clergymen of



JUDGE ALONZO T. SEARLE.

the various denominations and business and professional men through the county of the highest standing. Judge Searle has always stood well with the Republican party in his county and the State, which no doubt accounts for the splendid list of signers he secured.

Locally the Judge is a great favorite, and members of the bench and bar are watching his fight with interest and wishing for his success, both at the primaries and at the polls in November. While he was serving as assistant United States district attorney he made many friends here, who were attracted by his personality, and here, as well as elsewhere, he has shown a faculty for retaining friendships.

Since his appointment to the bench by Governor Stuart in 1909, he has assisted in holding court here, his evident fairness and quick mastery of the questions involved making him a very satisfactory judge. The various qualities of mind and temperament which go to make a successful judge are combined in him to an unusual degree, and his long and varied experience at the bar in his home county and elsewhere have aided him in reaching judicial conclusions which have given general satisfaction.

Since his appointment to the bench Judge Searle has frequently been called upon by his judicial brethren to assist in holding court in their districts, and besides Dauphin, he has spent several months in Lackawanna, Susquehanna, Pike, Luzerne and Northampton counties. He has been unable to respond to all the requests made upon him. His friends here are trusting that the people of Wayne county will best serve their own interests by keeping Judge Searle on the bench.

### REAL ESTATE DEALS.

Etta V. Whipple, Preston, to Daniel D. W. Stanton, Carbondale, 22 1/2 acres in said township, \$400.

John E. Goff to Charles Avery, Bethany, two lots situated in said borough, \$100.

Calvin D. Davis, Canaan, to Vina R. Goodrich, Carbondale, two pieces of land in Canaan township, \$2,500.

Emily J. Scudder, Prompton, to Franklin Bodie, of the same place, lot in said borough, \$1,200.

R. W. Hull and others to Lewis J. Cliff, both of Waymart, lot in said borough, \$175.

James Runyon to A. H. Terwilliger, lot in borough of Hawley, \$750.

L. G. Dimock and wife, Waymart, to Frank Hollenbeck, Carbondale, right to cut timber from a lot in the borough of Waymart, \$400.

William H. Hall, Berlin township, to Frank Hollenbeck, right to cut timber from a tract of land containing ten acres of land in said township, \$275.

### NOTICE.

The Republicans of Dyberry will meet at the house of E. W. Ross Saturday evening, Aug. 26, at 7:30. E. H. ALBERTY.

# 5,000 WATCH JOHNSON FLY

## Shoemakers' Picnic at Lake Lodore a Huge Success

GREAT CREDIT IS DUE, AS USUAL, TO THE LADIES.

"The best place to see the birdman fly is

Out on the open lake.

Get a boat

While you navigate,

Watch the

Aviator aviate."

—Lake Lodore Lyrics.

Five thousand people, some afloat, but most ashore, watched the aviator aviate at Lake Lodore last Saturday afternoon, when the ninth annual excursion of the Boot and Shoemakers' Union, Local No. 377, was featured by the first airship flight in Wayne county.

"We can say we saw an airship fly," I think if I understood it, I'd go up every day." "He came down fine." These were only a few of the many expressions of delight occasioned by the performance of Walter E. Johnson, Bath, N. Y., in the Thomas Headless Biplane.

It was fully six o'clock when the scheduled ascension was made from the base ball grounds. The machine, which was housed in a knock-down shed in front of the grandstand, was viewed by thousands of people in the course of the day, at the cost of ten cents per view.

It was not until 5:20 p. m. that the side of the frame structure was demolished, and the queer-looking object trundled out into the field. Willing hands wheeled it to the top of a hill several hundred yards from the grandstand. It was killing to see the people chase it. Men, women and children ran after it.

Puff! A cloud of dust arose, as down the gentle decline the artificial bird sped, and away it went, up, up, into the air to a height of about 100 feet; traveled a couple of hundred yards, and alighted, right side up, by the barn, at the edge of the woods. The wind was so strong that the aerial navigator expected to be shipwrecked. But he came down as gracefully as a dove, unfastened himself and walked back to the grounds, none the worse for his short flight.

"I'd rather not fly," said Aviator Johnson to a committeeman, late in the afternoon. "The wind is dead against me. I wouldn't go up for \$1,000."

In view of the fact, however, that such a large crowd was present and in order not to disappoint the people, many of whom had come long distances to see an airship fly, he was prevailed upon to make the attempt.

"Well, I'll only make a very short flight," he said. And so he did. According to Aviator Johnson, ascensions are usually made after four o'clock in the afternoon. "The later it is, the better we like it," he said.

For his aerial trip, Birdman Johnson received \$600; \$300 when his airship was ready to fly, and \$300 when he landed. The payments were made with certified checks.

Aside from the airship flight, the Shoemakers' excursion was a great success, socially, financially and needless to add, politically. This was the seventh year that Lake Lodore was made the scene of their annual outing, the first and second picnics having been held at Lake Ariel.

"Well, are you a shoemaker too?" "Ain't the airship great?" "I'm coming again next year." "This is the best picnic we ever had." Such were some of the questions asked and comments made by the happy crowd of pleasure seekers, many of whom took the first train out of Honesdale at 9 o'clock, Saturday morning, so as to be on the grounds early, and not miss anything.

As usual much of the credit for the financial success of the affair belongs to the women. The Labor League, which is affiliated with the Labor organizations, had charge of the refreshment stands. Mrs. Edward Keltz and Mrs. Archibald Markle were assisted in their labors by a corps of enthusiastic and efficient helpers. The League has an active membership of twenty-five.

The Boot and Shoemakers' Union, Local No. 377, under whose auspices the excursion was held, has a membership of 105. The officers of this society are: President, Frank J. Hall; vice-president, Peter Sutton; secretary, Charles B. Boyd; treasurer, William Hoelzel; recording secretary, James Orchard; trustees, John Boos, John Sonner, John Tierney.

The committee in charge of the excursion consisted of J. D. Orchard, chairman; Frank Holl, vice-chairman; Fred S. Cory, treasurer; J. Boos, secretary, and Messrs. D. Vicinus, Chas. Boos, D. Lohman, William Moran, William Hoeflein, L. Wagner and Fred Theobald.

Friday night, headed by the Honesdale Band, a large number of shoemakers paraded the sidewalks of Honesdale, carrying Japanese lanterns, and banners advertising the excursion of the morrow. Hundreds of people made the up-town thoroughfare almost impassable, and swarmed the streets to hear the band concert given on a flat car near the Union station.

Early in the evening the Carbon-

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# TEXAS LEADS IN TAXABLES

## Honesdale Second With Damascus a Close Third

SMALLEST ASSESSMENT DISTRICT IS BETHANY WITH ONLY EIGHTY-FIVE.

There are 11,985 taxables residing in the twenty-eight assessment districts of Wayne county. Texas has by far the largest number, 1580, with Honesdale a close second at 1249. Damascus is a strong third with 1038 taxable individuals. The smallest assessment district is Bethany which reports but 85.

There are 361,330 acres of timber land in dear old Wayne, and 68,067 acres of cleared land. Or in other words, only about one-fifth of the area of the shire is under cultivation. It may surprise some readers of The Citizen to know that there are 25 acres of timber land in Honesdale. Damascus township takes the palm for timber land with 40,451 acres.

The value of all the real estate in Wayne county is \$11,404,175. Of this amount \$1,002,830 is exempt from taxation, leaving the valuation of taxable real estate \$10,401,345.

There are 5,747 horses, mares, geldings and mules in the shire, valued at \$327,334.

11,530 neat cattle, over the age of four years, and valued at \$175,018 are reported.

The value of the salaries, emoluments of office, offices, posts of profit, professions, trades and occupations reaches the total of \$467,230.

The aggregate value of all property taxable for county purposes at the rate of 4 1/2 mills on the dollar is \$11,370,927.

The aggregate amount of county tax assessed at the rate of 4 1/2 mills on the dollar is \$51,642.52.

The amount of money at interest including mortgages, judgments, bonds, notes, stocks, etc., is \$11,717,222.

The value of stages, omnibuses, hacks, cabs, etc., is \$4,500.

The aggregate value of property taxable for state purposes at four mills on the dollar including money at interest, stages, omnibuses, hacks, cabs, etc., is \$1,176,222.

The aggregate amount of the State Tax is \$4,696.52.

The debt of the county is \$23,000.10, or about eighty cents per capita.

Property in Wayne county is assessed at eighty per cent. of its actual value. The Court House, Armory, churches and school houses are exempt from taxation.

# THE CAUCUS-AND HOW TO HOLD IT

## Simply Get the Voters Together and Agree on Candidates

### COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE BOMBARDED BY POLITICAL ASPIRANTS TO OFFICE.

"Politics are getting warmer. Fair week I saw three or four parties with one man. I thought they were going to pull him apart. That was too much for me."

The reporter overheard this man, who is a candidate for a township office, interview the County Commissioners' Clerk as to the proper method of getting his name before the voters.

"If you hold a caucus," said Mr. Ross, "and nominate a set of officers that doesn't prevent another man going out and getting up nomination papers. This is a free fight."

"The idea is to sign them all up there at the caucus. The committee man knows then that there is some one in the field for every office. The voters get together and call a caucus. They agree on candidates, fill out the papers and sign them there, and send them in."

"No, you don't have to swear to the papers at all. Just simply fill out the papers, get them signed, and turn them in here. You have to have a paper anyhow, even if you are nominated at a caucus."

"It's a hot campaign," sighed the prospective office-holder, with which sage observation Mr. Ross promptly agreed.

"Every township," he continued, "ought to have a caucus. They do not need to have it, if they don't want it. It helps the committee in the county. There's not enough in some offices to pay a man to carry a petition around. It simplifies matters for him."

"I have my papers here," said the petitioner. "I lack one man yet. I'll just slip over in the corridor and get him to sign."

Returning a few minutes later with the required signature, the candidate presented his papers to the commissioners' clerk.

"Am I to sign it, too?" he asked.

"No, answered Mr. Ross. "A man would hardly sign his own paper."

"Is that all right then?"

"Yes."

"Anything for this?"

# MORE PRIMARY CHILDREN WANTED

## Public Schools Will Open Here September 5

ALL THE OLD TEACHERS ON THE JOB; SCHOOL TAX REDUCED.

Preparations are being made for the opening of the public schools of the borough on Tuesday morning, September 5, at 9 o'clock. Children who became six years of age, between the opening of the term and January 1, 1912, will be admitted at the beginning of the term, while those who reach their sixth birthday between January 1 and June 1, 1912, will enter the schools after the Christmas holidays.

All the old teachers have been re-elected, and the schools will again be under the able supervision of Principal Harry A. Oday.

About twenty new seats were added this Summer, to accommodate the High school department. The enrollment will be about the same as last year.

The taxation for school purposes has been reduced one-half mill. The school board closed the current fiscal year with a clean record. It was the custom, formerly, that at the end of each year, there were demand notes for a couple of thousand dollars outstanding.

"There's a shortage of little children," a school director informed a Citizen man. "Something Teddy Roosevelt wouldn't like." The High school, he stated, becomes more congested than the primary department. And for this reason, any child living in one of the surrounding districts, after finishing the grammar school in their own township, can go to the nearest High school, and the township, in which their parents reside, must pay for their tuition. The influx from the country districts accounts for the large High school enrollment.

No satisfactory explanation has been advanced for the shortage in primary children. Last year, each teacher did work one-half year advanced in his or her grade or the primary teachers would have been without work.

The School Board did not adopt the medical inspection feature of the new school code. They felt that they had gotten along so far without it, and they rather thought they would wait and see what happened in the districts that adopted it.

And by the way all the members of the present Board of School Control were legislated out of office by the provisions of the new school code, and their places must be filled at the primaries and November election. The office is an honorary one, carrying with it more than the usual amount of fault-finding which a public officer must expect. There is no salary connected with it, and thus far not a single candidate has let the dear public know he aspired to the office.

But that shortage of little children is an alarming feature of the local school situation. Probably some of the Honesdale sociologists are ready to advance a theory to account for it. If so, The Citizen would be glad to receive communications on the subject.

### FAIR AFTERMATH.

The poultry pen was the center of attraction for bird fanciers. A number of the different kinds of standard breeds were on display and captured some prizes too. The chief conversation at the poultry exhibit was the advisability of holding a winter exhibition about the first of the year, when the birds are in their prime and their plumage much better than at present. It was suggested that the affair, should it materialize, be open to the State and that prizes be given for the best birds, etc. If an exhibition were held in Honesdale it would bring some of the best exhibition birds to this place. The feeling among the different breeders was strong for a bird meet here and the Citizen's representative was told that every possible means to have an exhibit here, either in January or February, would be made.

In the poultry pen George Robinson, Fortena, W. H. Karslake, Honesdale, and Russell Erk, of Seelyville, had good displays of the Rhode Island Red chickens.

Mr. Karslake also had an exhibition of White Rocks and Buff Leghorns.

F. B. Lord exhibited two good pens of White Leghorns and Black Sumatras.

F. W. Schuerholz has a pen of fine White Orpingtons.

Edward E. Kinsman, Cherry Ridge, was the only exhibitor of Barred Rocks.

Robert Miller exhibited a nice pair of Carneaux pigeons.

"No charges."

And that is only a sample, declared Mr. Ross, of what takes place half a dozen times a day. For be it known, that the County Commissioners' office is the mecca, nowadays, for all Wayne county political aspirants.

"A good many talk now as if they think the biggest crop we'll have is candidates," said a prosperous Oregon township farmer to a Citizen man, Monday. "The potatoes is going to be a small crop. They can't all get it. Some will have to get out."