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### AN UNPAID GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE

**Theodore Day Kept Weather Record For Uncle Sam Fifty-six Years Without Compensation—Now Old and Has No Income—Congressman Ainey Notified.**

There is probably no man better known in Wayne and adjoining counties than Theodore Day, of Dyberry. Mr. Day, for many years, has reported the weather for Uncle Sam and the smallest and most pathetic thing about the whole affair is that the Federal government never gave Mr. Day one cent since 1854, when he commenced keeping the weather record. Since 1865, or until a few years ago, Mr. Day furnished a



THEODORE DAY.

monthly report to the Smithsonian Institute, Washington, D. C. In connection with this Mr. Day furnished monthly reports of the weather to the Department of Agriculture, Washington; signal service of the United States Army and the State Weather bureau ever since it was established. Mr. Day said he helped organize the State Weather Bureau and that his report was the first to have been filed on record. In addition to these reports Mr. Day kept statistical and fruit reports. He told a Citizen representative that he tested upwards of 100 different kinds of apples, many of the grafts coming from distant places. He states that the world's celebrated kinds of apples are worthless here. In connection with the weather reports which he kept for the government, Mr. Day said he was compelled to furnish a report of the temperature of wells and springs. For all this work, all these years Mr. Day claims that he never received a cent from the Government. He told us that this helped keep him poor. That he only receives a pension of \$15 per month for service done in the army, which allows only two meals and a light lunch every day. Mr. Day has now reached that age in life, being in his 75th year, where he cannot work and is almost dependent upon his pension for a livelihood. He owns a small farm in Dyberry township and says that the total crops last year just barely paid the taxes and that the best crop he ever raised was a crop of stones and rocks being the only crop which he is sure of every year.

It seems a pity that Uncle Sam, with his millions of dollars in the United States Treasury, would expect a man to furnish valuable reports of the weather over half a century without compensation. We understand that the matter has been presented before Congressman William D. Ainey of this district with a view of receiving some remuneration for Mr. Day's services, either in the form of a pension or money. The Citizen will help Mr. Day in presenting the matter before the proper authorities and will aid him in every possible way.

Mr. Day has spent a number of the years of his life studying nature. He is the first one to find the early spring flower and spy the robin and bluebird. He is the discoverer of the disease for exterminating the tent caterpillar, which works havoc to trees. He has successfully demonstrated the discovery to State Zoologist Surface to the extent that the latter has promised to do something in a financial way toward destroying the tent caterpillar.

The subject of our sketch devotes a good share of his time, or has within the last year, in grafting and pruning trees.

He was one of the first to discover the San Jose scale upon the apple and other trees in Wayne county, possesses good knowledge of fruits and contributes largely to farm journals.

Mr. Day was born in Elizabethtown, N. J., August 10, 1838, and with his parents moved to Dyberry where Theodore has since resided. Mr. Day attended the old university at Bethany, afterwards teaching school at Clinton and Oregon townships, Wayne county. When this country called for volunteers at the beginning of the war, Mr. Day was one of the first to enlist, joining Company C, Sixth Pennsylvania Reserves, under Captain John S. Wright. Owing to poor water and exposure Mr. Day was compelled to leave the ranks. After serving as commissary for half a year he was honorably discharged May 10, 1862.

Mr. Day is well versed on all topics and is a very interesting conversationalist, is a constant reader and a man of rare intelligence.

—Class play this (Thursday) evening at the High school.

### SEWERAGE PLANT AT FARVIEW

**State Will Install System—Will Protect Waymart.**

State Commissioner of Health Samuel G. Dixon has approved plans for a sewage disposal plant for the Somerset county almshouse. The plant was recommended by the commissioner and will be installed within a short time. The State Hospital for the Criminal Insane is also to have a sewage disposal plant, plans having been approved for one for the new institution in Wayne county. This will prevent any sewage from the high-priced prison from polluting the supply of the town of Waymart.

### WARFARE LESSONS FOR N. G. P. OFFICERS.

**Arms and Bullets Will be Put Into Actual Use Today at Instruction Camp.**

Camp of Instruction, Mount Gretna, Pa., June 5.—Instruction of the National Guard officers, which has up to this time been entirely along the original lines, today approached the practical elements of warfare. Thursday it will develop into actual use of arms and bullets, when the student officers will go to the state rifle range and be shown just how their instruction applies in actual military operations.

Then the officers of each brigade will be marshaled as companies, most of them taking place in the ranks as privates, and the rest chosen as non-commissioned officers. Colonels will be reduced to the rank of captains for the exercise, and each of the four companies will be made up of the regular quota of seventy-five men and three officers.

Each company will be equipped with rifles and will go to the range one company at a time. Here and there silhouette targets will suddenly spring into sight, representing an enemy, and then all branches of the service will have an opportunity for demonstration of the lessons they have received, including that of marksmanship.

There is every prospect of an interesting skirmish and particularly a surprise fire, a new innovation in the rifle practice of the guard will be employed.

Tactical talks were again the rule today, the colonels and other field officers being quizzed on defensive positions.

The second lieutenants, adjutants and officers of like rank had another drill in the mountains with their sketching tables and received an advanced course of instruction on matters topographical, while the captains of each command were taken through an imaginary engagement between the Reds and the Blues, in which a company of 150 men was dispatched to capture a post defended by fifty men in the enemy's line; the inspectors of small arms practice meanwhile studying problems of the transportation of ammunition, loading of shells, handling of explosives, etc., under Lieutenant Thos. Whelon, of the Twenty-ninth United States Infantry, one of the crack shots of the United States Army, and an expert on ordnance.

Surgeons and members of the hospital corps went over an interesting lesson in the operation of field hospitals, hospital trains and care of the wounded.

### Thinks Government Should Help China.

(Special to The Citizen.)

Washington, June 6.—Captain Robert Dollar, president of a great shipping line on the Pacific Coast, came to Washington to plead before the Senate Committee on Inter-oceanic Canals for free canal tolls and for protection against railroad-owned ships, which have hurt the independent shipping interests of the coast by reason of their keen competition. Captain Dollar also made a visit to the State Department to plead for recognition of the Chinese Republic.

"The progress of China under its new government," said Captain Dollar, "is certain to be marvellously rapid. There is a wonderful amount of work to be done in the construction of railways, opening mines, building of docks and harbor works, and in other great public works. Very much of the business incident to this development must come to the United States. I think our government should extend a helping hand to China. Dr. Sun, who voluntarily relinquished the presidency of China, proved himself, in my opinion, to be a really great man. He is honest, patriotic and unselfish, and he will be ready to help, if he is needed, in the upbuilding of the Republic."

### SPORTING NOTES.

The new United States League which started this season is finding pretty hard sledding. Two teams have dropped out, and all the rest seem to be glad of the excuse of "rearranging the schedule" for a lay-off. This has been a hard spring for even the older organizations.

Watch those Athletics! With Bender, Coombs and Plank all back in form they will soon overcome the lead of the White Sox.

It creates quite some excitement now when the Giants lose a game, almost as much as it does when Brooklyn or Scranton wins.

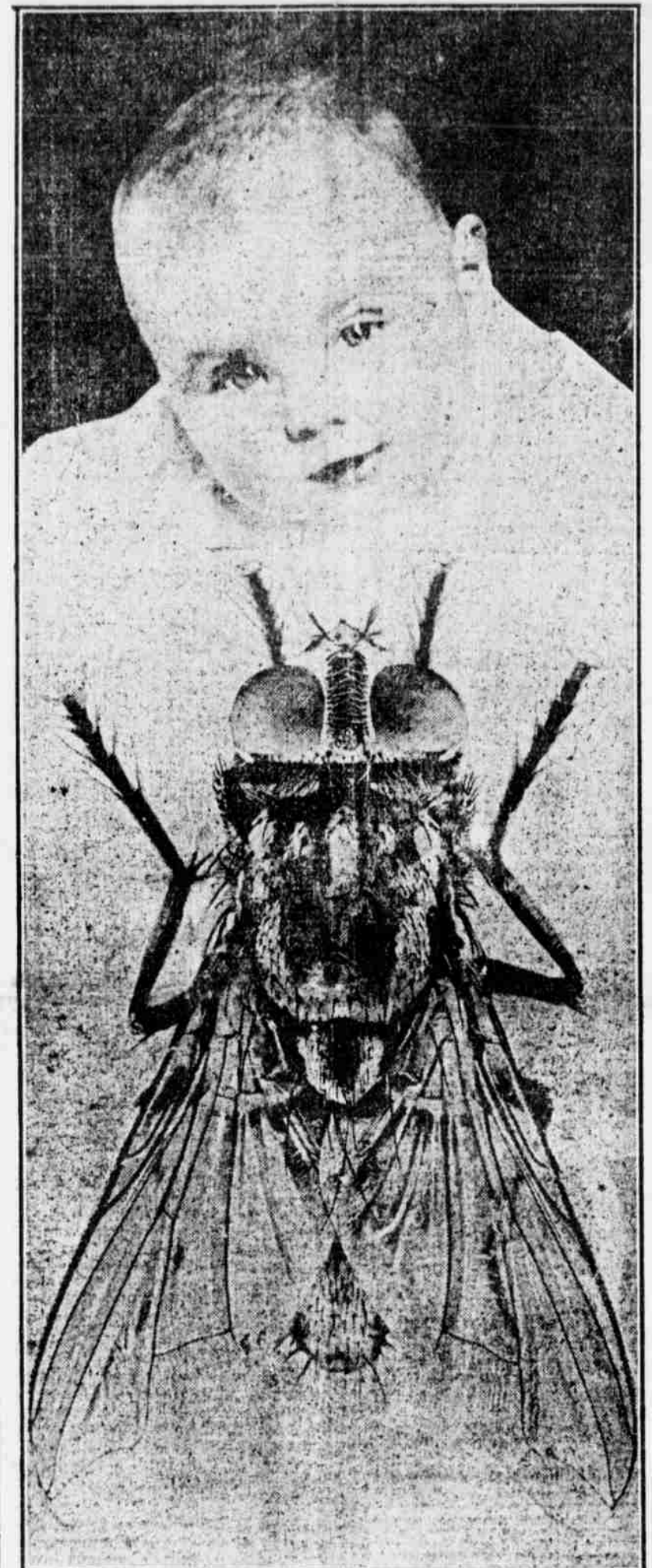
"Tky" Cobb is again leading the American league in batting and will probably not be displaced this year.

And Honesdale has a series on with Carbondale! Suppose it will end in the usual way but hope they will win one game to make it a little interesting.

Hawley won their first game of the season on Memorial Day and Aldenville took a double-header from a Honesdale team.

## THAT \$10 PRIZE MAY BE YOURS

### Kill the Fly and Save the Baby



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Summer complaint, which causes the death of many young children every season, is nearly always the result of germs in food. THESE ARE OFTEN CARRIED TO FOODS BY FLIES. KILL THE FLIES!

Perhaps some of The Citizen's readers have a dear little baby in their home like there is represented in this picture. You think the world of him or her as the case may be and would protect your darling baby brother or sister from harm or shield her from danger. You think there is none like the pet of the house and take every precaution that she does not get in a draft or get sick. But have you a screen or netting over her crib so the house fly cannot bring disease germs to her? Flies spread tuberculosis, diphtheria, typhoid fever, scarlet fever, and fevers of babies by carrying disease from one to another.

You love your baby, so does the fly. They like to kiss your darling pet, walk all over his face and perchance get in his mouth. The flies feet carry germs of all diseases and they are now passing over your baby's face, leaving death germs. Oh! mother, why did you allow the flies to stay in the house? Why did you allow them to come in? Don't let the flies crawl over the baby's mouth and swarm upon the nipple of his nursing bottle.

**Leg Crushed by Piece of Timber.**  
John H. Gromlich, aged 53 years, a resident of Maplewood, Wayne county, had his left leg broken in two places Tuesday morning when a large piece of timber fell on him. He was at work at the Consumer Ice company house at Maplewood when the accident happened. He is now at the State hospital, Scranton.

### ARKANSAS NARROWLY MISSES TITANIC'S FATE

**Strikes Submerged Rocky Ridge Off Maine Coast and Is Saved Only by Her Double Bottom.**

Washington, D. C., June 5.—Information that the new dreadnaught Arkansas has met with an accident on her trial trip off the Maine coast has reached the Navy Department. The details are not yet available but it is thought that the ship is not in danger.

Although the naval Board of Inspection headed by Captain Fechteler is aboard the Arkansas the vessel is still in the hands of the New York Shipbuilding Company, of Camden, N. J. The ship is being navigated over the trial course by employees of the builders and any damage sustained in the accident will have to be borne by the contractor.

The Arkansas scraped along the rocky ridge for forty-five feet. The ship is leaking but not beyond the control of her pumps. Probably the double bottom alone saved the big dreadnaught from sinking.

Later reports to the Navy Department say that while entering Penobscot Bay and when she was supposed to be in the channel, the Arkansas touched the reef. The accident occurred this morning. Captain Fechteler reports the damage probably small and the leaks light. The inspection board is considering whether the trial shall be resumed.

The Arkansas had two mishaps. She is reported to have gone aground in the Two Bush channel Sunday, but apparently got off and was proceeding early today when she ran on the ledge of rock.

### Children's Story Writer, Mrs. Sangster, is Dead.

Newark, N. J., June 6.—Mrs. Margaret Elizabeth Sangster, poet and author, died yesterday in Maplewood, N. J. She was 74 years old, and pursued an active literary career for more than half a century. Death was due to an attack of indigestion.

She had written numerous books of poems, works of fiction and stories for children that have met with wide popularity.

### Planned to Run Titanic Full Speed.

(Special to The Citizen.)

London, June 6.—J. Bruce Ismay told the British court of inquiry today that it had been planned to drive the Titanic at full speed during a few favorable hours of her maiden trip and that he considered Captain Smith fully justified in going at full speed through the ice region so long as weather conditions made it possible to see ice ahead.

### Series of Five Games With Honesdale Team.

Manager Murtha received a letter yesterday from Manager Van Alstyne, of the Honesdale team, regarding a series of games between the two teams. A series of five games has been decided upon, the first to be played at Honesdale on Saturday, June 23, and it is probable that the third game will be played in Honesdale July Fourth. No arrangements have been made as yet for the playing of the fourth or fifth game of the series, but it has been decided that if the fifth game is necessary to decide the supremacy between the two teams the game will be played on neutral ground, probably Lake Lodore.

There has always been keen rivalry between Honesdale and Carbondale regarding base ball and the coming series is sure to cause great enthusiasm among the fans of the two towns. Dating back to the days of "Our Pets," and continuing through the days of the old association team, Mike O'Neill's team here after the fall of the association, and up to the present the series between the two teams have been successful and this year should prove no exception.—Carbondale correspondent in Tribune-Republican.

### To Open Cottage at Lake.

Miss Helena Clark, of the Scranton Young Woman's Christian association, spent Tuesday at Lake Ariel looking over the summer cottage of the association. The cottage will open next week.

### HOD CARRIERS ON STRIKE.

(Special to The Citizen.)  
Scranton, June 6.—Three hundred hod carriers and laborers went on a strike in this city this morning. They are receiving 25 cents per hour and demand 30 and 35 cents. A number of non-union laborers are filling the strikers' positions.

### LEA ASSISTANT FIRE MARSHAL.

(Special to The Citizen.)  
Harrisburg, June 6.—Thomas C. Lea, of Pittsburg, was appointed assistant State Fire Chief to-day by Fire Chief Joseph F. Baldwin. Lea will receive a salary of \$4,000 per year.

### Killed Large Rattlers.

While hunting snakes on Pine Ridge, Milton Decker, George Whitaker, Fred and William Schoonover, all of Lehman township, killed six rattlesnakes, three of which measured four feet in length and "sporting" nine rattles and a button piece. They also dispatched two large milk snakes and two garter snakes. Quite a class to these young men as reptile hunters.—Milford Dispatch.

Rev. Thomas M. McHugh, who has been studying at the University in Washington for the past year, has been sent to St. Philomena's church, Hawley, to take the place of Rev. Thomas M. Jordan, who has been transferred to St. Vincent's church, Plymouth.

### GOVERNOR GRANTS RESPIRE

(Special to The Citizen.)

Scranton, June 6.—William Peter Bischo, the boy murderer of Irvan Borger, the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad express messenger, was granted a respite today at 1:30 p. m. Consequently he will not hang June 20. The execution will be suspended until July 25. This will give Bischo's lawyers a chance to present the case before the Board of Pardons.

### COLBAT IN PARTIAL RUINS

(Special to The Citizen.)

Colbat, Ontario, Can., June 6.—A fire starting in Lyric theatre, this city, destroyed a number of buildings in the business section to-day, the loss amounting to \$150,000. The fire was caused by the explosion of a kerosene stove. The audience got out without causing a panic. No one was injured.

### Electrocuted for Murder Committed in 1910.

(Special to The Citizen.)

Boston, June 6.—In the same electric chair that Rev. Richeson was electrocuted, Harry Marshall, to-day, paid the penalty in the Charlestown jail for murdering Frank Cussamano in 1910. The dead man's wife was also his accomplice. She has been sentenced to life imprisonment.

### Cotton Crop Condition Slightly Below Normal.

Washington, D. C., June 6.—A special cotton crop report was issued by the Department of Agriculture today and estimated that on May 25, the cotton crop's condition was 78.9 per cent, normal, as compared with 87.8 per cent, on May 25, of last year, and 81.5 per cent, on a ten year average.

### PHILADELPHIA COMING PORT

(Special to The Citizen.)

Philadelphia, June 6.—About two months ago the Pennsylvania Railroad let a contract for \$200,000 for the erection, at its coal shipping terminal, Greenwich Point, in the Philadelphia Harbor, of improved apparatus for the economic transfer of coal from its own cars to other coastwise and foreign ports. Briefly described, this improvement consists of a high trestle work running out to the end of the piers, and a giant mechanism by which the coal cars are lifted into the air and their contents dumped in bulk into the hold of the ship. The empty car is then set down on another track and carried by gravity to a siding.

No statement was made by the company at the time as to its purpose in making this expenditure. But work has been begun and within a short time this coal terminal will be equipped as are the great coal shipping stations on the lakes. Heretofore the Pennsylvania Railroad has diverted most of its coal shipments to Perth Amboy, and the general tendency of shippers and carriers has been in favor of New York, not only in coal but in most other commodities, whether export or import. The inevitable result has been a concentration of business at New York harbor that has severely taxed its capacity. Some other port must therefore be looked to for further commercial expansion and this move by the Pennsylvania Railroad to equip its terminal in the Philadelphia harbor to handle largely increased shipments is one of the many recent developments indicating a growing tendency of water-borne commerce toward Philadelphia.

One of the reasons that New York has been the chief beneficiary of this country's rapid commercial development in the last two decades has been that the great corporate interests centered there have spent with a lavish hand, sharing the burdens of the city and State in making it the great port it is today. And New York is preparing to spend more millions to retain that increased commerce now tending toward Philadelphia and Boston, the use of either of which ports depends largely upon the source or destination of the shipment. The people of this Commonwealth are beginning to realize, however, that within the last few years Pennsylvania has permitted millions of dollars to go out of this State as a permanent and non-interest-bearing investment in the Port of New York, and that Pennsylvania has been one of the heaviest contributors to the success of her most formidable commercial competitors.

This State, with its 70,000,000 tons annual production of anthracite coal; with its more than a hundred million tons production of bituminous coal; with its other great mineral and agricultural wealth, its leading steel industries and diversified manufactures, is well equipped to supply world markets with Pennsylvania products. At Philadelphia this State possesses a seaport of its own. Many steamship lines, suffering from the congestion of New York harbor, are unable now to find docking accommodations along any part of Manhattan Island, and are openly voicing their dissatisfaction. Some of them have already diverted many of their vessels to Philadelphia. More are ready to follow the example. At this time—one of the most important periods in the history of this country's commercial growth, and with every condition and circumstance turning in favor of Philadelphia—it would be a dangerous and a short-sighted policy to overlook any opportunity, now or in the future, to develop that port and regain for Pennsylvania that commercial prestige which has heretofore gone as a voluntary and a costly contribution to the Port of New York.

## Swat the Fly!

It Is the Most Dangerous Animal on Earth!

When bacteriologists inform us that the average fly carries on its body 1,250,000 germs, says Farm Dairying, surely we should feel a just cause for grave alarm.

### HOUSEFLIES AS CARRIERS OF DISEASE.

Flies spread tuberculosis, diphtheria, typhoid fever, scarlet fever, summer complaint and fevers of babies by carrying disease from one to another.

Keep everything clean and there will be no flies.

Don't let flies have a place to lay their eggs.

Keep covered all places where young flies may be hatched.

Put screens at windows and doors.

Where is dirt there are flies.

### MARRIAGE LICENSE.

Royal Brooks.....Gravity  
Hilda Stinnard.....Gravity  
Percy Minor.....Waymart  
Frances Richardson.....Prompton