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THE INDEPENDENT'S MUSEUM.

The Independent's list of animals would not be complete without that green-eyed monster, "JEALOUSY," a picture of which is herein reproduced and which has captivated the Independent.

The Independent, as usual, when unable to sustain its position on matters of public importance, vents its spleen on The Citizen, attempting to vilify and abuse this paper, because of its progressive spirit. It is evidently fearful and jealous of the progress and influence the Citizen is making in this community and Wayne county.

The Citizen admits that it has two carriers, but we pay them for delivering the papers.

ANNEXATION OF TEXAS.

The annexation of Texas township to the borough of Honesdale is right along the line of true progressiveness. The benefits that would be derived are many and are worthy of the taxpayers most earnest attention. The school problem is one of the most important and should be treated in a business like manner. As stated in Tuesday's issue of The Citizen Texas township is paying a half-mill more than Honesdale, while Seelyville, an independent district, is two and a half mills higher than the school tax levy of this borough. Is this not a strong argument in favor of annexation? The school houses of Texas township are in a condition needy of repair. Why should Texas expend additional money on buildings that at the best will last only a few years and then more money will have to be spent to place the school houses in further repair to comply with the school code law? Ventilation, light and sanitary conditions will require attention of the district. This can be avoided by Texas township coming into Honesdale. Taxpayers of Texas, are these facts not true?

Whether or not Texas township is to become a part of the Greater Honesdale happy family rests with the people of Texas themselves. The matter of annexation has been discussed in public meetings, through The Citizen and by individuals. Some parts of Texas township adjoining the borough line have expressed their willingness to come in and have been received by a welcome hand by Father Hone. Other sections are seriously meditating and we feel safe to say that it will not be long before Miss Texas will become infatuated with Father Hone and bodily fall into his arms. Annexation by piece meal is a slow process although sure, the better plan, however, is our opinion would be to enter as a whole township.

A large town has a number of advantages over a smaller place. There is more business activity, more competition, more progressiveness among the merchants, banks and others in business. To have and maintain a good solid town every kind of business must be firmly established, and around these must be united people working for the common good. No town can stand still. It must either go forward or decline, and it is up to you to say which it will be.

When away from your home town friends may inquire where you live and it makes you feel indignant if they do not know where you live. The census gives Honesdale a population of about 3,000 while strictly speaking it should be 7,000. How much longer are the residents of this beautiful town going to withstand this? It hurts Honesdale in many different ways. Out-of-town capitalists, manufacturers, show bureaus and others look at the 3,000 inhabitants and that settles it in their mind that Honesdale is a small place. A town with over six million dollars in its banks, a town where a trolley road is in course of construction, where paved streets will soon be built, where the best school building in Northeastern Pennsylvania is located, where its industries are varied and the best in the country—this is the town of Honesdale. Are the people satisfied with only 3,000 inhabitants?

Let's all work for Greater Honesdale. Why continue to be satisfied with 3,000 when 15,000 or 20,000 is a possibility? The Citizen has inaugurated the Greater Honesdale campaign and it is going to keep everlastingly pounding at it until the victory is won. If Texas takes exceptions to annexation these columns are open to reproduce any communications that may be sent us.

THE QUESTION OF RIGHTS.

Thomas Kelly, of No. 133 Franklin avenue, Scranton, recently sent a communication to the Times of that city, and it is so interesting and suggestive that we publish it below. Mr. Kelly asks a question of the city of Scranton and the County of Lackawanna that many people are mentally asking over here in Old Wayne. Here is Mr. Kelly's letter in full:

The Declaration of Independence declares that the people of this country are entitled to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness—and as one of the people I protest that it is not enforced in my case, for, if I am not wrong, the constitution expressly forbids taking my property away from me without compensation. Now, on Sunday afternoon, June 23d, I took out my wife to drive around the city, and on coming back from Say Ave. park while driving down the steep incline of Linden street, near Wheeler avenue, at a walk on the right hand side of the street, like a bolt of lightning I was struck from behind by an automobile, the left hand wheel being torn off. Then ensued a mad gallop with the frenzied horse, the buggy axle tearing his hind legs. While we were tearing down the four blocks on three wheels we were looking death or serious injury to one or both of us straight in the face. The mercy of God intervened and I escaped without injury and my wife was only considerably bruised. The cowardly individuals who were in the auto turned off at the next corner instead of rushing ahead to stop the horse. The police department is trying to locate them. So far no results.

The question is this, will the city of Scranton and the county of Lackawanna, to whom I pay taxes, protect me in a reasonable manner if I on any day of the week, Sundays included, take a horse and buggy for a drive on said streets or highways?

The auto driver has the advantage over the one who uses a horse and carriage. His machine doesn't become frightened and nervous. It will not plunge suddenly to left or right. It cannot become panic-stricken over noises made by horses or by other machines. It enables the driver to strike down its helpless victim who he may leave by the roadside while he scuds for safety and obscurity.

Much is said about people purchasing automobiles who cannot afford them. Is it not a fact that people who can afford, and actually prefer horses, buy autos as a means of self protection? They feel that a war is on that has for its end the survival of the strongest, and they know that the horse is bound to be defeated. This country is supposed to belong to the people as a whole, not to any special class, and if men like Mr. Kelly in Lackawanna county, and Mr. Farmer in Wayne county, cannot have proper protection, and feel that their rights are guaranteed and respected, then there will soon arise a cry from them that will cause those in authority to sit up and take notice, and it will be so strong and effective that careless and cowardly drivers of autos, such as those Mr. Kelly describes, will be brought to an account in a manner that will be as sudden as it will be wholesome.

MEXICAN SITUATION.

President Wilson and Secretary of State Bryan will be unable much longer to ignore the situation in Mexico as a grave and pressing international problem which the United States as the responsible nation in the Western Hemisphere must squarely face. This became evident from important developments to-day.

Every great foreign office in Europe is disgusted with the failure of the United States to do anything directly or indirectly to relieve the frightful state of affairs in Mexico. The European governments are "extremely annoyed," as one Embassy expresses it, at what seems to them the inexplicable attitude of the Wilson administration toward Mexico. The increase of anti-Americanism in Mexico has been really welcomed by the European governments in the hope that this bold exhibition of hostility to Americans and the American Embassy there would goad the United States into doing something.

It is a maxim in all Latin American countries that no government in that part of the world which fails to receive the recognition of the United

States can long exist. Knowing this the Diplomatic Corps in Mexico City, the governments of Europe and the Mexicans themselves are explaining the refusal of the United States to recognize the present Mexican government solely on the assumption that the United States desires that the Huerta government be destroyed. In Europe they have reached the conviction that President Wilson and Mr. Bryan are persisting in their attitude with the deliberate intention of having conditions get so very bad in Mexico that there will be sufficient excuse for interference.

With pressure being brought to bear on the United States by other governments, the Wilson administration finds itself in a most difficult situation. The administration pinned its faith to the hope that Mexico would not rise as a pressing problem until tariff and currency could be got out of the way and that after the Mexican elections in October a new government would come into office which the United States consistently could recognize.

PRIMARY BILL NOW A LAW.

The state wide primary bill and the municipal court bill, which applies only to Philadelphia, were signed by Governor Tener Saturday night.

The new primary law extends the operation of the popular primary to all state offices and abolishes all state conventions. It changes the law in regard to the holding of primaries in many respects and makes more strict the requirements for nomination petitions. By far it is considered the most progressive piece of election legislation passed in this state since the uniform primary law of 1906, which it supersedes.

The Tribune-Republican, of Scranton, in an editorial on this important legislation, advances the following progressive thought:

Between now and the time when the new primary law becomes operative we advise that special attention be given to a close study of the provisions and the rights and duties of all voters under the act. It would also be a wise and patriotic thing to do for those citizens who feel responsible for the guidance of the rank and file of the people to arrange meetings in which the new order shall be explained with simplicity and clearness by men who realize how important it is that all the voters shall understand the methods under which they must vote at the primaries.

BRYAN AND THE CHAUTAUQUA PLATFORM.

Secretary of State W. J. Bryan has been forced by the numerous criticisms to make a statement defending his position in taking time away from his official duties to lecture on the Chautauqua platform.

One of Mr. Bryan's defenses is that the salary connected with the office of Secretary of State is inadequate. The present salary is \$12,000 a year and Mr. Bryan says he cannot live within that amount and must make up the balance of his income to meet his yearly expenses, hence the Chautauqua lectures.

Just now the United States has much need of the services of its Secretary of State. Matters of grave import confront us. Foreign relations and the Mexican problem are just now at a critical state when there should be some one at the helm to guide the nation past the shoals of disaster. It is unreasonable to suppose that Mr. Bryan did not know perfectly well what the salary of the Secretary of State was before he "put his hat in the ring" for the office. He must have known that he would be obliged to produce some of his personal funds to meet expenses. Yet he took the office, which is one of the most important in the government next to that of President, with the understanding that he would devote his time to piloting the country's policy. And still he intends to leave his post for six weeks to go on the Chautauqua platform!

"Boast not thyself of tomorrow, for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth."

BUSINESS MEN'S PICNIC JULY 23.

That the Business Men's picnic to Lake Lodore on Wednesday next, July 23, will be a success is a foregone conclusion. Everybody is talking picnic. That the day will be a holiday in Honesdale is evinced by the fact that all of the stores and business places will be closed either all day or at noon to allow the merchants and employees to attend this annual picnic. The employers of factories have responded to the request of closing their respective places and the day will be a gathering of the several families of Honesdale.

The evening before the picnic Jenkins' boy band, who will accompany the picnic on the 23rd, will give a free band concert on the lawn near the Delaware and Hudson depot. The public is especially invited to attend this concert. Honesdale feels proud of its boy band; and why shouldn't it when the boys discourse such sweet and beautiful music? Come out and listen to the concert and then go to the picnic the following day. Chairman C. E. Bates and efficient

co-workers have completed arrangements for the picnic and everything points to having the best time ever on an outing of this kind. All kinds of amusements have been provided for. Cast your eyes over the advertisement that appears in this issue of The Citizen for additional information.

All of Honesdale's fans will be at the picnic and root for the home team against Carbondale in the fifth game of the series between these two towns. The game promises to be most exciting and if Carbondale wants to win the series she will have to do some pretty tall base ball playing. Come and see Honesdale put it over Carbondale. No better train service was ever secured for a picnic than has been engaged for the Business Men's outing on Wednesday next. The transportation committee has signed up with the Delaware and Hudson company for two special trains out of Honesdale and two returning. The first train leaves the Union station at 9:15 a. m. and the second at 1:15 p. m.; returning from Lake Lodore specials leave at 5:15 and 7:15 p. m. Excursionists from Hawley and White Mills desiring to join their Honesdale friends may do so by taking advantage of the first Erie train arriving in Honesdale at 8:08 a. m., which makes direct connection with the special 9:15 D. & H. train. In order that they can reach home the same day a special will leave Lodore at 5:15 p. m., making connections with the 6 o'clock Erie at Honesdale.

LARGEST SHOW OF SEASON COMING ON JULY 28.

The program of the Young Buffalo Wild West, Vernon C. Seaver's Hippodrome and Col. Cummins' Far East, which will exhibit in Honesdale on July 28, is spicier and up-to-date throughout. Mr. Vernon C. Seaver, the general manager of the combined shows, claims that in making up the program he had so much material to draw from that it was possible for him to leave out everything of the yellow leaf order and to include only such members as were new and assured successes. He says that from the opening to the closing numbers, everything shown will be found to be fresh and original.

Among the features that are new to America this season is the Etta Myers Quartette, consisting of a girl, a pony, a dog and Tiny Muggins, the smallest elephant, who is said to be an entire show himself. Their performance includes a lot of tricks hitherto unknown, among them a football game that is said to be a scream.

Another feature is Captain Hardin's Cadets, a company of comely Castilian maids who have been trained to the fine point of perfection in military exercises and the manual of arms by Captain N. F. Hardin, a world famous drillmaster. Their work is said to be accurate and precise to a degree rarely attained outside of a crack military school.

The comedy section of the combined shows has been given careful attention, with the result that it is one of the most entertaining parts of the aggregation. Such acts as "The Bounding Haystack," "The Penobscot Rube," "The Taximeter" and "The Dance of the Jungle" are rarely seen in such numbers with a tent show. Some turn of a comedy nature is kept in the arena from first to last according to the program.

A street parade over a mile long will leave the show grounds at 10:30 the day of the exhibition here. The performances will start at 2 and 8 p. m., and the doors will open an hour before each.

CHEAPER COFFEE IS COMING.

Wholesale Price Has Dropped Six Cents Since January 1.

Coffee drinkers, (and that includes nearly everybody), will rejoice over the prospect of a substantial decline in prices.

From the New York Sun we gather the following particulars: Consumers may benefit soon by the drop in the price of coffee, which has amounted practically to six cents a pound in the wholesale price since the first of the year. If present low prices continue for a month this drop may mean a decline of from one to three cents a pound to the consumer.

July 9 and 10 and the day before coffee sold on the Coffee Exchange in New York at new low record prices for the last two years. The low price for the September option was 8.34 cents a pound on Wednesday. This was a drop of 5 1/2 cents since the high price of the year, on January 2.

The roaster who had no long stocks on hand when the decline began in early January, just before the Government's order compelling the sale of the 900,000 bags of valorization coffee held here, has been able to get the benefit of the declining prices.

Tight money and the end of the Brazilian valorization scheme are blamed for the condition. The Balkan situation also has been felt, as holders of coffee stocks and options in Europe have been forced to liquidate.

There is no unusually large supply of coffee in sight. The visible world supply on July 1 of 10,285,000 bags is the lowest in several years. The new Brazilian crop now coming to market during this month is estimated to be one of about 14,000,000 bags, which is not beyond normal.

\$1,000,000 BOND ISSUE PASSED.

San Diego, Cal., July 17.—By a vote of 16 to 1, with half the voting population at the polls July 1, this city passed a bond issue of nearly a million dollars for completion of the San Diego Panama-California Exposition on the lines made necessary by the government requirements and the needs of the states and countries that have decided to participate therein.

The original fund was a stock subscription of \$1,000,000. Then came a bond issue of \$1,000,000. Both these funds are about half expended; \$600,000 of the bond issue remain-

NOTICE TO WATER CONSUMERS!

The use of hose for sprinkling is absolutely prohibited, except between the hours of 6 and 8 a. m. and 6 and 8 p. m.

Honesdale Con. Water Co.

ing in the treasury. The work of organization developed early that the funds were not sufficient if all the states and counties that notified the Exposition of their coming really came. The capital stock was increased by \$2,500,000, making the total capitalization \$3,500,000, with \$1,116,000 fully subscribed. On top of this it was decided to make another bond issue of \$850,000 and this bond issue has just been made. San Diego, therefore, has all the money she needs with which to finish her exposition. Governments and states will, of course, spend their own funds.

YOU BET WE ARE.

"The people of Honesdale are just as crazy over base ball to-day as they were in the 'good old days.' A great crowd attended Saturday's game in the Maple City."—Edward "Busher" Moffett in Minute Interviews in Carbondale Leader.

INVITATION EXTENDED BY EDISON COMPANY.

The singing of Scranton's United Choral club may soon be reproduced on countless phonograph records. So fine was their singing in the Pittsburgh eisteddfod, the big prize of which they won, that the Edison Phonograph company has been communicating with their director, John T. Watkins, who has many friends in Honesdale, in an effort to have the choir taken to New York to sing for some records.

The singing will not alone be reproduced in records but the choir may appear before the moving picture camera, and they will be shown through theatres over the entire country. With the pictures will go that newest invention of Thomas A. Edison's, the talking-moving picture, and so the people in every part of the United States will be able to hear and see the Scranton United Choral club sing.

Prof. John T. Watkins, who led the choir to victory at Pittsburgh, and several times before, will sail on the Mauretania, Wednesday, July 23, for Europe. With him will be Col. R. A. Phillips and D. R. Jones. They will motor through Wales first, and hear the national eisteddfod at Abergavenny August 3 to 6. Then they will go to London to spend some time, and will then do the continent, returning home about September 1.

WATSON'S NAME USED WITHOUT HIS AUTHORITY.

County Chairman Albert Watson, of the Washington party, the man who led the Progressives of Lackawanna county to victory last Fall, gave out a statement last week in which he emphatically states that his name is being used in the stock subscription plan for the financing of the proposed Daily News, without his authority.

Circulars in which the names of a number of the Washington party leaders are used have been sent broadcast by the promoters of the paper. The circular makes a number of promises to would-be subscribers, among others that the stock will be a paying investment.

In denying the use of his name in connection with the venture, Mr. Watson says:

"I never have been nor am I now a member of any newspaper committee. Where my name has been used as vice chairman, or as a member of such a committee, it has been used without consulting me, and without my knowledge. It would be impossible for me to act in any such capacity at this time."—Scranton Tribune-Republican.

Before you start on your vacation see that you are supplied with some Neura Powders for Headache. 10 and 25 cents. Sold everywhere.

Progress Is The Keynote To Success

Therefore citizens of Honesdale have voted to pave Main street.

This store always keeps abreast with the times and our Monday sale of reliable merchandise at unsurpassed low prices is a sure proof to the public, which is patronizing same more than ever.

MONDAY, JULY 21

Grocery Departments:

- Columbian or Snow White Flour, \$1.45 sack.
- White Rose Coffee, 35c value, 32c lb.
- Creso Crackers, the family favorite, 2 pkgs. for 15c.
- Jello or Jello Ice Cream Powder, 9c pkg.
- Good Quality Canned Tomatoes, 9c can.
- Plain or Stuffed Olives, 10c value, 8c bottle.
- White Rose Ceylon Tea, 30c value, 25c pkg.
- White Rose Cocoa, 10c value, 8c can.
- Full Cream Cheese, special, 18c lb.
- Wayne County Dairy Butter, special, 28c lb.

Other Departments--Main Floor

- New Fancy Voiles, 25c val., 19c yd.
- Final Clearing Sale fancy lawns, 9c yd.
- Fancy Silk Parasols and Umbrellas, \$2.50 value, \$1.98 each.
- Ladies' Long Silk Gloves, elegant value, 65c pair.
- New Summer Seersucker, best 10c value, 8 1/2c yd.
- Men's Ribbed and Balbriggan Underwear, 50c value, 43c each.
- Genuine Ratine, 27 in width, 40c val., 33c yd.
- Ladies' Gauze Vests, regular sizes, 15c value, 11c each.
- Yard-wide Unbleached Muslin, 8c value, 7c yd.
- Heavy Unbleached Toweling, special, 8 1/2c yard.
- Embroidery Galloons, 15 and 18c value, 12c yd.
- Squares and Scarfs, special, 22c each.
- Ladies' Stylish Trimmed Hats, \$4.00 value, \$1.98 each.

Second Floor Specials

- Ladies' Wash Dresses, \$4.00 and \$5.00 value, \$2.98 each.
- Ladies' Silk Shirts with Robespierre Collar, \$2.50 val., \$1.98 ea.
- Children's School Dresses, 89c value, 79c each.
- Ladies' Low Neck Wash Dresses, \$1.50 value, 98c each.
- Broken Lot Ladies' House Dresses, special, 98c each.
- New Lot all wool Ingrain Samples, 50c value, 39c each.
- Linen Finish Shades, white and ecru, 40c value, 35c each.
- Best Peerless Straw Mattings, 35c value, 25c yard.
- Best Granite Carpet, special, 25c yard.

Katz Bros. Inc.

NOTICE--Monday Specials are sold for Cash.