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HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY PLANNING FOR CONVENTION AND FRUIT DISPLAY

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MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE DISCUSSED SPEAKERS AND DATE IN GRAND JURY ROOM ON WEDNESDAY — TO MAKE WAYNE COUNTY FRUIT RAISING CENTER—W. J. LEWIS, OF PITTSSTON, OFFERED TO HELP.

ERIE R. R. COMMISSIONER JACKSON IN HONESDALE

HAD PLEASANT INTERVIEW WITH A CITIZEN REPRESENTATIVE.

Tells About Erie Company Improvements—The Development of Railroads—Relates Things Seen in Land of Midnight Sun, From Which He Has Just Returned.

Lulu Jackson, of New York City, Erie railroad industrial commissioner, was a visitor in Honesdale on Wednesday. While in the Maple City Commissioner Jackson called at The Citizen office and we had a very pleasant interview with him. Referring to business conditions at large Mr. Jackson stated that one of the things that would help business would be the increase of five per cent. freight rates. Quoting Mr. Jackson, he says, "I find that the entire manufacturing community of the country is in favor of the increase as it is expected to give an immense impetus to the railroads and will enable them to secure more necessary capital for rails and equipment."

"Little or no money is now being invested in railroad securities and as money, like water, flows to its level, investors will seek a field for American capital abroad. Any business man can tell by instinct that the high cost of living effects railroads in their purchases and in their labor costs. The trouble is that we have too many lawyers in congress, and they are too slow in grasping the business end of matters."

"The Erie railroad has its line double tracked from Buffalo to Chicago. This road has always had a double track to Buffalo, but from that city to Chicago has been a single track. During the past two years the single track has been abandoned and the double track is now within 40 miles from Chicago. As soon as this track is completed to Chicago the Erie will take rank as one of the great freight carriers in the United States, and with this main line doubled it will be able to take care of every detailed improvement on the lines of the whole system. I believe that the antagonism against the railroads has about ended and that the public is discriminating against charging the faults of the few to the many. I believe that the railroads will push ahead with the development of their lines. The railroad's business is too big an interest to be scared or disheartened by temporary feelings."

Commissioner Jackson has just returned from the Land of the Midnight Sun, and among other interesting things related, he said:

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HONESDALE MOST BEAUTIFUL TOWN, SAYS H. R. DANIELS

H. R. Daniels, of Boston, who is spending the week in Honesdale remarked to a Citizen representative that he was very much impressed with Honesdale. He continued: "We pride ourselves on the suburbs outside of Boston but I can truthfully say that there is no place that can equal Honesdale in beauty." Mr. Daniels was told that this was quite a broad assertion to make, but he assured us nevertheless that it was true.

Honesdale is an ideal place in which to live and locate factories. Its climate is unequalled, the air is pure and water the best obtainable. If you are contemplating a change, come to Honesdale. The Board of Trade will assist you.

POCONO DISTILLING COMPANY IN BANKRUPTCY.

Three creditors of the Pocono Distilling company, with headquarters in Scranton, the first of the week filed a petition in the United States court asking that the company be declared bankrupt. The petitioners are Lachman & Jacobs and the American Distilling company, of New York, and Fred C. White, of Hawley. They allege that they are owed over \$3,000 and that several acts of bankruptcy have been committed by the alleged insolvent company. J. S. Brown of this place holds eighteen shares of stock.

The first named creditors set forth that they have provable claims of \$272 against the Pocono Distilling company, the next named alleged creditor is owed \$2,702, while the third names \$272 as the amount of his debt. In the statement filed it is said that the company committed acts of bankruptcy in paying some creditors in full and allowing a judgment to be entered against them in the Lackawanna county court in favor of E. G. Lyons. A hearing will be held December 30. A. V. Bower represents the petitioners.

BARTENDERS DECLINE NEW JOBS MINISTER OFFERS.

Bartenders of Scranton have rejected the proposition of Rev. George Wood Anderson, pastor of the fashionable Elm Park M. E. church, to secure good jobs for all those engaged in the liquor traffic who wish to quit the business.

Dr. Anderson in a recent sermon against intemperance declared that the bartenders who served the drinks were worse than the thief that stole his watch while he was on a recent visit to New York.

The bartenders on a resolution voted that the offer was not worthy of their consideration. A number had previously expressed an intention of making the minister make good his offer.

MEDICAL SOCIETY AT HAWLEY.
The Wayne County Medical society met Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the Kohlman House, Hawley. Dr. J. Norman White, of Scranton, read an interesting paper before the society, which was well represented. A dinner was served at 5:30.

EAST HONESDALE RESIDENT NEARLY RUN DOWN BY AUTO

DIM LIGHTS AND LOSS OF CONTROL HAS BEEN GIVEN AS THE REASON.

Accident Occurred on Old Glass Factory Site Bridge Tuesday Evening—Car Grazed C. M. Coulter Who Came Near Being Killed.

C. M. Coulter, a resident of East Honesdale, narrowly escaped injuries last Tuesday evening about 7 o'clock by being nearly run down by a southbound automobile. The accident occurred near the old glass factory bridge at the outlet of Carley Brook. Mr. Coulter was coming to Honesdale and was walking along the side of the road. A short distance ahead of him he saw a dimly lighted automobile. It was coming directly toward him. He stepped close to the fence along the road, thinking that the car would turn out and pass him safely. The car crowded the fence and then Mr. Coulter called to the operator. The man driving the car evidently did not hear Mr. Coulter's outcry as he continued on the same side of the road as was Mr. Coulter. In passing him the mud guards struck the pedestrian, and the car struck the bridge, causing the machine to stop. The force turned the car across the road. An effort was made upon the part of the driver who was from Narrowsburg way, to continue his journey, but he was unable to owing to a broken axle.

Had the automobile been six inches nearer Mr. Coulter it might have killed him instantly or disabled him for life. It is estimated that the car was running 25 miles per hour.

NEW OFFICE OPENED

The Business Men's Association and Wayne County Automobile Association opened an office in the Foster building on Tuesday morning for the transaction of business pertaining to these respective organizations. N. B. Spencer, who is secretary of both associations, is in charge.

The need of an office to represent these societies is an absolute necessity, there being many occasions for its use. It is centrally located, and is near the business part of the town for the merchants' convenience and also near hotel where several tourists stop during the period of a year. The office is equipped with a large combination desk, filing cabinet, typewriter and chairs. The Citizen phone has been installed. Officers and directors of the Business Men's Association and Wayne County Automobile Association will be furnished with keys.

SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS.

Dr. Schaeffer Says They Are to be Elected in May of Next Year.

An official opinion on the dates when elections of county school superintendents shall be held has been given to Dr. Schaeffer, the State superintendent of Public Instruction, by Deputy Attorney General Cunningham, as a result of questions which had been raised as to the intent of the Legislature in drafting the school code. In a number of counties there were doubts expressed, but it is now held that the state superintendent "should order the election of county superintendents in the year 1914 to be held on the first Tuesday of May, 1914, the superintendents to be elected on that date to serve from the first Monday of June, 1914, to the first Monday of May, 1918, and their successors to be elected on the second Tuesday of April, 1918."

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