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PATTON FIREMEN MADE BEST APPEARANCE AT CONVENTION

Local Team Also Brings Home First Prize For the Drill Squad Contest

Patton carried off honors in the big parade at Cresson Thursday.

The parade started at eleven o'clock, forming near the Athletic Field and proceeded up Front Street to Kittell Hill and countermarching to the Athletic Field.

The procession was headed by several of the P. R. R. Police of Altoona, members of the Cresson Borough Council and their officers.

Joseph Thorp the chief marshal was assisted by B. W. Harding, F. J. Kammerer, W. A. Heitzor and Gean Glass.

The Dauntless Fire company of Ebensburg was awarded the prize of \$25 for having the largest company in line, with 91 men, while the Patton company was awarded the prize for the best appearing company in line.

The prize of \$5 for the tallest fireman in line was awarded to Marian Askroft of Hastings, he measuring 6 feet 4 inches, while William Tyler of the same company, weighing 140 pounds, was awarded a prize of \$5 offered for the fattest fireman in line.

Vincent Glass of the Barnesboro company was awarded the prize for being the shortest man in line. The judges were Sheriff W. E. Mulhollen, C. L. F. Russell and J. B. Wagner.

To insure fair judging, three musicians from Altoona, T. D. Williams, T. McFarlane and C. E. Pross, were selected as judges of the band contests. Three bands entered in the contest and all were given the same piece "The Desert Flower" by W. V. Wallace, to play.

It required considerable time for the judges to reach a decision, the contest was so close, but the first prize was finally awarded to the Conemaugh band, with the Spangler band second and the Portage band third. The prizes were \$50, \$32 and \$20, respectively.

While the band contests were being held, the sporting events were started. The first event run off was the four-man team relay race, which was won by the Hicks brothers of Barnesboro. The four brothers are all skilled athletes and they were easily the winners in the event for which a silver cup was offered. The time for the race was 4 minutes and 31 seconds and the brothers were Tom, Alex, Will and Joe Hicks.

Barnesboro also cleaned up in the 100-yard dash and the 220-yard race. David Kerr of Barnesboro took first prize in the 220-yard dash, which was run in three heats, his best time being 25 seconds. Pat, Wilbur Swansboro was second place in this event, he also being from Barnesboro.

In the 100-yard dash the order was reversed, Wilbur Swansboro taking first place and Davis Kerr second. The fastest time was 10.25 seconds, which was extremely fast in view of the condition of the track.

Hub-and-Hub and Hose Races

It was in the hub-and-hub and hose races that the great spirit of rivalry between Ebensburg and Barnesboro showed.

The Ebensburg team was composed of H. Benz, Ed. Pruner, Pat Moor, N. Bertz, Dean Whitely, Emil Wilderson, Stanton Mulvehill, Fenlon Blair, Celestine Blair, Orville Buck, Alvin Davis and Dennison Duncan, while the Barnesboro team was composed of Robert Hicks, W. Toarney, R. Sternin, Thomas Hicks, Alex. Sigle, Chas. Pleskey, Will Hicks, M. Bonger, R. Dawson, J. Hicks, D. Kerr and W. Swansboro.

The Dauntless won the race in 39 seconds, while the Barnesboro team finished a close second. The Barnesboro team lost eight seconds in adjusting the hose nozzle and this lost the race for them.

Hub-and-Hub Race

The hub-and-hub race came near starting a riot between the rival factions. Barnesboro objected to Ebensburg using Barnesboro's hose cart, but this was finally overruled by the officials.

The race was run off and both teams finished in 25 seconds flat. The officials argued the arguments. Barnesboro was willing to run the race over, but Ebensburg wanted to split the

money. Finally, after much discussion, Barnesboro agreed to split the money, but then Ebensburg wanted the race run over.

Barnesboro wanted the two teams to race without the carts in a dead heat, but this was objected to. Finally it was decided to run the affair over. Barnesboro covered the course in 25.25 seconds, Ebensburg lost the race by 1.5 seconds, the team's time being 25.35 seconds.

The fat men's race was won by C. C. Flick, who managed to do the 100 yards in 15 seconds.

The officials of the athletic events were: Referee, Tom Nokes; Judges, M. J. Bracken, C. L. P. Russell and Mayor Louis Franke; times, John John Berg, D. A. Kelra and John A. Gunn; starter, Joseph Thorp; announcer, T. W. Abernathy.

All Johnstown Officials

Following the athletic events, the prize drill contest was held. The judges for this event were all Johnstown officials, Mayor Louis Franke, Congressman John Berg and Fire Chief Lozan M. Keller.

There were two contesting teams, the Patton fire department and the Portage company.

The Patton team was first on the field. The firemen were attired in handsome new uniforms of sky-blue, trimmed in white and went through the most intricate evolutions with clock-like precision.

The Portage team, attired in neat brown uniforms, also displayed a complete mastery of the most difficult drill feats and after an exhibition lasting almost an hour, the judges were in a quandary. Each team had a score of 97 points and the judges were puzzled as to just how to award the prizes.

Portage's Error Fatal

It was finally decided to have both teams give an exhibition on the streets and this was done. During an evulsion, the Portage team made a fatal error that lost them the first prize. The members of the team claimed that they did not hear the order issued.

The Patton team went through the exhibition on the street without a break of any kind and was promptly awarded the first prize. The drill brought the convention to an official close. The bulk of the visitors remained in Cresson until late in the evening, the carnival proving a great attraction.

Next Meeting at Conemaugh

Conemaugh will get the 1917 convention of the Northern Cambria Firemen's Association.

Officers Elected

The following officers were elected for the next year: President F. H. Kinkaid, of Patton; First Vice President, O. C. Campbell, of Barnesboro; Second Vice President, Ivan J. McKeurick, of Ebensburg; Secretary, George F. Hipps, of Carroltown; Treasurer, M. L. Buck, of Hastings.

Judges Present

Judge J. W. Keppart, of the Superior Court, and Judge M. B. Stephens were the principal speakers at the banquet of the delegates Wednesday evening, when B. W. Harding, Chairman of the Convention Committee, was toastmaster. Other speakers were Attorney John H. McCann, Compensation Board Member J. W. Leach, and A. W. Buck, banker of Ebensburg.

The banquet was served in the Moose Hall, with about 150 people in attendance. The serving was in charge of the Ladies' Aid of the Presbyterian Church. Music was rendered by the Cresson Orchestra.

Memorial Service Held

The first memorial service held by the association at its convention was that Wednesday afternoon Secretary G. E. Hipps read the names of the following deceased members: H. A. Englehart, Ebensburg; Daniel G. Plouse, Barnesboro; Percy E. Grove, Conemaugh; H. L. Parks, Franklin; William Koons, South Fork; John L. Westover, Spangler; Cyrus Buck, Cresson, and Edward Yahner, Hastings. The eulogy was delivered by Mr. Hipps.

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PATTON BOARD OF TRADE HAS MEETING

On Tuesday evening, August 1, the Board of Trade of Patton, met for the purpose of re-organization. B. L. Buck called the meeting, and then called upon Mr. W. H. Denlinger, as chairman pro-tempore, and Mr. S. Yale Nathanson, as secretary. Mr. Denlinger explained the necessary function of a Board of Trade as an instrument to effect civic sanitation, street conditions, roads, subject of Posters, uniformity of closing time of stores etc. He further spoke in regard to the good work that has been accomplished by Board of Trades in other towns and cities. Mr. Denlinger explained what has been achieved along the good roads question, and thoroughly expounded the theory known as the "State Aid Idea"—that of having the county contribute one-quarter towards the roads, the township one-quarter, and the state the remaining portion of one-half. After a lengthy discussion as to the best method to pursue in making some permanent organization,

a suggestion was offered by Mr. Denlinger that a committee of five be appointed to solicit the town and to record the sentiment of each man called upon, and to report these at the next meeting, a definite answer as to whether they would or would not be present. The motion was finally made by Mr. Gorsuch, seconded and carried.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 8th, at 8:30 promptly. It is up to each man in Patton to be present, not only the business men of the town, but everybody who is interested in a better Patton.

Those present at the last meeting were: W. H. Denlinger, S. Yale Nathanson, Ernest Commons, L. G. Gorsuch, Frank L. Brown, W. L. Thompson, Edw. Calahan, W. A. Dinwiddie, Paul T. Bearer, H. E. Barton, Clair Smale, F. R. Morey, William Morzan, Mat Collier, Leadore Overberger, E. M. Smale and B. L. Buck.

WILL WE CELEBRATE ON LABOR DAY

We understand that Patton is to have a celebration this coming Labor Day. Now if we have a celebration let us have one that will eclipse all others in display and in sports. Let us have a good program of sports such as sack races, dashes, both for men and for girls. Let us get the business men together and have a real tug-of-war. Put one ward against the other and have a routing good time on this great coming holiday. It is one of the chances that we have of boosting our town out of the wall of indifference that it has been entering in for the past several years. It is a chance to demonstrate to the various surrounding towns that we are not asleep at the switch that we are not as dead as it would be imagined. We lifted ourselves last Labor Day when we had our big time but let us far surpass that one in brilliancy and resplendency. We will have the big time of the year right here in this town next Labor Day provided however, that the people of Patton do their share in making this absolutely the best time we have ever held in Patton.

ANOTHER BIG MATCH NEXT WEEK

Next Monday evening there will be another spirited match in the tennis courts at Anna's farm. This time the contestants will be D. G. Dunn and George S. Good, versus Rensd Somerville and E. C. Brown. At the same time on the other court the following members will contest for supremacy: Paul T. Bearer and M. E. Coshier are slated to meet H. E. Barton and W. L. Thompson. These matches are supposed to surpass those of last week and it is possible in the very near future games including other members will be arranged. This amusement is affording the business men more sport than that of any other sport this year and we hope that their enthusiasm will increase as the season waxes.

OF INTEREST TO PARENTS

The School Law fixes two periods for beginning to enter school, and give the School Board the authority to refuse admission to them unless they apply at the times specified. The Board has designated the first week in September and the first week after the Holiday vacation as the period during which beginners will be admitted. Unless they apply at this time admission will be refused.

A beginner means a child who has never attended school, and generally applies to those who are six years old. All pupils who will become six years old before January 1, 1916 should enter school during the first week in September; those who will become six years old between January 1st and June 1st, 1916 should enter school during the first week after the Holiday vacation.

Aug. 4, St. V. A. Murray, Secretary.

PATTON DEFEATS EMEIGH HERE IN LOOSELY PLAYED GAME

Locals Annex Another Easy Victory Over Opponents Last Tuesday Afternoon

In a loosely played game here last Tuesday afternoon the local baseball aggregation defeated the first Emeigh team by a decisive score of 6-2. The game was devoid of any sensational playing and was rather listless throughout, the only exciting feature being the timely hitting of Patton's huckies as they piled up enough runs to win in the fifth inning.

With the exception of being a little wild in the early part of the game Gill pitched a steady game striking out 9 of his opponents. The first man to face him was hit and later in the game Reasler was hit by a pitched ball. O'Neill was behind the bat for the locals and he caught a good game, his whip to second and third being perfect. Laudir, on first or Patton, played a stellar game and in the fifth inning he sent a slashing triple over the left fielder, head. Mammel played a good game, having a line drive in the sixth that paved the way for a run for the locals. Jenkins at short was in everything and deserves his usual credit for assisting in winning the game. Cooper playing third got everything in his territory and made a nice catch when he gobbled up Lease's foul in the fourth inning. Novick had some run and accepted two chances in the field. His hitting was one of the features of the game. Notwithstanding the fact that Christoff had a crippled knee, he gamely went into the game and had one hit and accepted a pretty chance in center. Schwab had but one chance in right and as luck would have it he accidentally ebbored it but he redeemed himself at the bat by slashing out a home run over the right fielders dome on the second.

Reasler struck out ten of his opponents in the game but his support was ragged, the fielders of the Emeigh team being of the bush game having a line drive in the sixth that paved the way for a run for the locals. Jenkins at short was in everything and deserves his usual credit for assisting in winning the game. Cooper playing third got everything in his territory and made a nice catch when he gobbled up Lease's foul in the fourth inning. Novick had some run and accepted two chances in the field. His hitting was one of the features of the game. Notwithstanding the fact that Christoff had a crippled knee, he gamely went into the game and had one hit and accepted a pretty chance in center. Schwab had but one chance in right and as luck would have it he accidentally ebbored it but he redeemed himself at the bat by slashing out a home run over the right fielders dome on the second.

PATTON SCHOOL BOARD HOLDS REGULAR SESSION

Patton, Pa., July 21, 1916. The School Board met for the purpose of organization, and was called to order by the president, Mr. Gorsuch.

Dr. Kelly made a motion that Dr. Murray act as temporary secretary and Mr. Powell seconded the motion. All the members voted affirmatively and the motion carried.

Mr. Powell then nominated Garfield Wilkins as permanent secretary and Dr. Murray for the same office. On roll call Mr. Powell voted for Garfield Wilkins and Messrs Kelly, Gorsuch and Murray voted for Dr. Murray. Having received three affirmative votes Dr. Murray was declared elected secretary for the next fiscal year, at a salary of \$125 per annum.

Next the bids for the office of school Depository and Treasurer for the next fiscal year were opened and read. They were as follows: To the Patton School Board:

We submit the following bid for the school fund of 1916-17, 2 per cent on average daily balances and act as Treasurer for the district; 1 per cent on average daily balances and not act as Treasurer.

The Grange National Bank, Patton, Pa. L. G. Gorsuch, President. Patton School Board, Patton, Pa. We will act as Treasurer of the

office furnishing the required bond and also the statements of the condition of the fund for the monthly meetings of the Board or as required and in addition we will allow the district interest on their average daily balances at the rate of 2 per cent per annum, crediting the interest monthly.

W. H. Sandford, President of First National Bank. A motion that we accept the proposition of the First National Bank and name it as our Depository and Treasurer for the next fiscal year was made by Mr. Powell and was seconded by Dr. Kelly. Messrs Powell, Kelly, Murray and Gorsuch voted affirmatively and the motion carried. The First National Bank of Patton was declared elected as depository and Treasurer of the school district for the next fiscal year.

Mr. Calahan arrived at this point. A motion that the first Friday of each month be designated as the time for holding the regular meetings of the Board was made by Mr. Calahan and was seconded by Dr. Murray. All the members voted affirmatively and the motion carried. The first Friday of each month was declared as the time for holding the regular meetings of the Board.

A motion to adjourn was made and properly seconded. All the members voted affirmatively and the motion carried. The Board adjourned.

Rodkey Reunion Will be Held Here August 10th

The third annual reunion of the Rodkeys will be held at Maplewood Park, Cresson, Thursday August 10. All relatives and friends are cordially invited.

MRS. SHUNKWILER THANKS RED MEN

Mrs. Charles Shunkwiler wishes to thank the Kill Buck Tribe No. 369 I. O. R. M. for the money which they so kindly donated to her, as it is the first help she has received this summer.

been shown gratis in that penal institution. Among the pictures thus far exhibited to the convicts are "Samson" and "The Plunderer." Other pictures by the same producer are to be shown in the near future in the Washington State Penitentiary, which is only one of the penitentiaries in which William Fox productions are shown for the entertainment of the prisoners.

Through the courtesy of Mr. Fox several William Farnum films have



Tom Moore in "Who's Guilty" every person in many instances there are causes and conditions which if known would PLACE THE BLAME.



Anna Nilsson (Pathe), Elsewhere Than Legal Tribunals Do. This is the case in a series of stories which will be shown at the MAJESTIC THEATRE every Saturday.

PRISONERS LIKE "BILL" FARNUM

Washington State "Pat" inmates See Him Act



Majestic Theatre, Monday, August 7. The inmates of the Washington State Penitentiary are admirers of William Farnum, star of the William Fox production, "A man of Sorrow." Through the courtesy of Mr. Fox several William Farnum films have

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATION AT PATTON

The United States Civil Service Commission announces that on Aug. 12, 1916, at nine o'clock an open competitive examination will be held for the position of clerk in the Post Office at Patton.

Each applicant will be required to submit to the examination on the day of examination a photograph of himself taken within two years.

For application form 1371 and "Instructions to Applicants," address Daniel Jones Jr., local secretary of the Patton Post Office.

All persons wishing to take this examination should secure blanks and file their application with the undersigned at once in order to allow time for any necessary corrections and to arrange for the examination.

Stewart Wilson, Sec. Civil Service Board, P. O. Building, Philadelphia, Pa.

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