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FRIDAY MORNING, APRIL 16, 1920

William H. Denlinger, Sr.

News of the death of William H. Denlinger, of this place, came as a distinct shock to a wide circle of friends throughout the central portion of Pennsylvania. Although his health had been impaired for some time it was not generally known to many who knew him. His business dealings with others were conducted up until a few days prior to his demise. Consequently many were totally unprepared for news of his death.

Although he had been in poor health for some time, Mr. Denlinger's spirit proved too much for him to give up his work and it was not until about a week before his death that he was obliged to take to his bed. His physicians ordered him to the Windber hospital and there, under the care of a leading practitioner and nurse, his condition rapidly improved. Wednesday of last week Mr. Denlinger signified a desire to return home and his physicians gave their consent. Soon after arriving in Patton on Wednesday evening of last week, his condition became serious and from then on until 12:30, the hour of his death, his condition was alarming.

William H. Denlinger was born in Pittsburgh, and it was in the Smoky City that he started his business career, being for several years engaged in the oil business of that city. He acted as a traveling representative for the Standard Oil Company for some time, his territory covering all the important towns of Pennsylvania and it was through these business associations that Mr. Denlinger made hundreds of friends. Later Mr. Denlinger took up his residence in Patton and was instrumental in the organization of the Central Supply Company of this place. He acted as manager of this concern for many years.

Among the important offices which Mr. Denlinger held during his successful business career in this section were: President of the Northern Cambria Street Railway Company; director of the Huntingdon & Clearfield Telephone Company; director of the First National Bank of Coalport; Postmaster at Patton; president of The Patton American Red Cross Society and others.

Mr. Denlinger was an American—and an admirable one. At the outbreak of the war with Germany, and even before, he proved himself a loyal and patriotic citizen to his country. He was very active in practically every war work conducted in the county. He was a gifted orator and he used this talent in promoting the various Liberty Loans, in teaching the people the causes of the war, and in crushing the propaganda of the un-loyal. Mr. Denlinger devoted much of his time to the various war works—he received no recompense—and it so overburdened him that his health began to fail. The inception of the illness which caused his death may be traced indirectly back to the days when the nation was in conflict. Handicapped by lack of help in his business, Mr. Denlinger, nevertheless, placed his patriotic duties on the same plane as his individual duties. When the Salvation Army drive, being conducted in the county this week was first planned, Mr. Denlinger was appointed chairman for Patton and vicinity, and even started on this work. However he could not finish it.

William H. Denlinger, Sr., was a man of convictions. He reasoned things out in his own way and was firm in believing them. He was broad-minded. He never insisted that others believe the same as he. He had the courage of his convictions at all times. He lived a life of goodness. At no time did he mention the faults of others. At all times he gave praise when praise was due. His life was an exemplification of kindness. He treated all alike—rich and poor, peasant and aristocrat—and kindness was always in his smile. He was a man who could not refuse anything of a charitable nature.

In his business relations Mr. Denlinger commanded the confidence of our community, as well as any who have ever dealt with him. He was a man of energy and his resourcefulness was fully appreciated by those in the best position to judge.

At all times Mr. Denlinger had the interests of his home community—Patton—at heart. If any civic benefit presented itself, he was always in favor of it, and gave freely of his time and attention to see that it was consummated. At various times he was accorded offices in the borough, and in these capacities, as well as in the post office, he was courteous, painstaking and vigilant.

As a member of the Masonic fraternity, Mr. Denlinger attained the highest rank, being crowned a Mason of the thirty-third degree in Boston Mass., Sept. 27th, 1907. For years he was the only Mason in Cambria county who had acquired this standing, and there is but one other in the county today. He was a past master of Moshannon Lodge No. 391, Free and Accepted Masons, Phillipsburg; member of Royal Arch Chapter No. 228, Clearfield; Mountain Council No.

9. Royal and Select Master Masons Altoona; Consistory and Jaffa Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, Altoona.

In the death of Mr. Denlinger Patton loses a leading citizen, a capable business man, a sagacious adviser, a kind neighbor and friend. His family loses a faithful husband and devoted father. The entire community mourns his loss. His place in the daily life of Pattonites will not soon be filled.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO THIS WEEK.

Items Gleaned from Files of The Patton Courier.

A Runaway.

On Wednesday morning, about 10 o'clock, while J. Kusner and Wm. Gill were driving down Magee avenue, toward the railroad, their horse became frightened at a locomotive and ran out Fourth Avenue, to Weaklands store, breaking the buggy into fragments, and leaving a few bruises on the above named gentlemen. The horse was not injured whatever.

May Be Appointed.

The Hastings Tribune says that a petition is being circulated praying the court to appoint Paul Yahner Esq., to the position of county surveyor, to fill the place made vacant by the death of Henry Scanlan, Esq. Mr. Yahner is well fitted for the position, and it is to be hoped that he will receive the appointment.

A Narrow Escape.

Clarence Beckwith, a 12-year-old son of Joseph Beckwith, of Kerr Ave. came very nearly meeting with an accident on Sunday which might have proved fatal. He was playing on top of a cow house when he in some manner, fell to the ground striking his head and shoulders. He was unconscious for some time. Fortunately his injuries were not serious.

They Exist Here.

That piece of humanity, called the man, who is continually criticizing the home paper, and says he dislikes the editor, is the very first to read it when it is issued; if he is not a subscriber to it, he is eternally bothering

his neighbor by borrowing his paper. Sorry to say we have that particular specimen right here in Patton.

Will Remove To DuBois.
Wm. C. Baum, who has had full charge of A. M. Thomas' hardware store on Magee Ave., for the past year, has resigned his position, and accompanied by his family will remove to DuBois, his former home, on Thursday. S. W. Eddy, an experienced hardware man of Figart, Pa. will succeed Mr. Baum.

Will Finish The Term.
Miss Francis Greig, who has been teaching one of the Primary grades in the Patton public schools, resigned last Friday. Miss Clara Corbin, of Houtdale, will fill the vacancy and finish the unexpired term. Miss Corbin comes highly recommended as a first class teacher.

James Mitchell came up from Clearfield on Tuesday.

C. H. Ferry, of Chest Springs, was a welcome visitor to Patton on Monday.

Wm. Y. Smith, of DuBois, is visiting in town. He is the guest of J. A. Myers, on Beech Ave.

Samuel Adleman, Ex-street commissioner of Patton, who is now employed in Curwensville, spent Sunday with his family in Patton.

G. E. Hips, of St. Lawrence, rode to Patton on his bicycle, on Wednesday.

Mrs. W. W. Kerr and child, of DuBois, are visiting her parents, Mr and Mrs. Jesse E. Dale, this week.

George S. Good, of Lock Haven, accompanied by his two daughters, Sallie and Minnie, and son Harry, were visitors to Patton Tuesday and Wednesday. Mr. Good just recently returned from a trip to the great South West, where he is interested in the building of a railroad.

Freeman Williams has temporarily opened up a barber shop in the Boyce building, opposite Hotel Beck, and invites all his friends to come and see him. Mr. Williams is a barber of many years experience and has a large circle of friends in this place who made his acquaintance in Houtdale, during his residence there.

G. J. Fitzpatrick has placed a new and attractive sign in front of his restaurant on Magee avenue.

Miss Mae Yerger visited friends in Altoona last week.

FOR THE REPUBLICAN NOMINATION FOR STATE SENATOR

I announce my candidacy, subject to the Primaries to be held May 18th, 1920.

W. I. STINEMAN

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It's Mrs. Graf's HAND and Home Made CANDY

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\$1.25 Box for

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It is the best--Try it and you'll always buy it.

Patton Bakery,
C. M. Cronemiller, Prop., Patton, Pa.

MONDAY NIGHT

GRAND AND MAJESTIC THEATRES
PATTON, PENNA.

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In her first very own photoplay from her own new studios--

DADDY LONG LEGS

7 Reels of Fun and Pathos

You Haven't Seen Mary Pickford Until you Have Seen this production.

Continuous Show at Majestic, Starts 3 p.m.

Admission 15c and 25c

COMING FRIDAY---

"Fatty" Arbuckle

In a roaring comedy farce, entitled

"THE SHERIFF"