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Heights Folk  
Disturbed Over  
Water Supply

Water Company Official Says Pump  
Now Repaired So That Supply Will  
Be Uninterrupted In The Future

Residents of Parrish Heights, seriously inconvenienced at times during the past two or three years by poor water service, have recently up to circulation a petition asking for an investigation of Dallas-Shavertown Water Company service by the Pennsylvania Public Service Commission.

A new pump was installed at the Heights well about a year ago, but even with this improvement in equipment, water has been cut off frequently during the summer months.

Heights citizens claim that there is plenty of water in the well and that faulty equipment is the cause of shut-offs. Many times during the summer the only water available on the Heights has been that trucked up from the borough in milk cans by William Schmol.

The most recent interruption in service came last week when the pump failed to operate and water company employees worked three days to repair it. Since that time the water has been covered with oil and dirt, making it unfit for drinking and cooking purposes.

When interviewed concerning the situation, H. L. Fortner, local superintendent of Dallas-Shavertown Water Company, subsidiary of Inland Utilities, said that the condition on the Heights comes through no fault of the company but through an unavoidable breakdown in the pump, a situation apt to arise in any kind of pumping equipment.

The company, he said, is making every effort to give first class water service to all consumers and water is not brought down from the Heights to the borough at the inconvenience of Heights consumers as has been frequently reported. Only water which followed the repairs of last week-end is but a temporary condition and will be eliminated as soon as the present supply of water is drawn out of the well.

Employees of the company removed the pump five times in three days last week-end. It was found that the trouble was caused by chips of wood from one of the plungers becoming lodged in the pipes. As soon as the pump was returned to its place chips would again lodge in it. By installing a rather ingenious type of screen this blocking has been eliminated and it is believed that all further interruption in Heights water service has now been eliminated.

ATTEND DEMOLAY  
PUBLIC INSTALLATION

Misses Lillian Rood, Eleanor Machell and Jean Disque with Leonard Machell and Jean Disque with Leonard Machell, Walter Rau, James Hildebrandt and Kenneth Disque attended the public installation of officers of the Demolay chapter at Knights of Malta hall in Wilkes-Barre Thursday evening.

Young men who have been members for some time but now because of the age limit become members of the advisory council, installed the officers. Rev. Clarence H. Russell, pastor of the United Presbyterian Church of Plymouth, was the speaker of the evening and took for his subject, "Seekers After Wisdom." An interesting program of readings and music followed by an exhibition drill by the patrol furnished further entertainment.

Ladies' Aid  
Plans Benefit  
Motion Picture

Society Holds Regular Sessions At the  
Home of Mrs. G. A. Baur and Plans  
Clam Bake To Be Held At Next  
Session

The Ladies Aid met at the home of Mrs. G. A. Baur with a large membership present. Mrs. Albertson took charge of the devotions, Mrs. Whipp the president spoke of the necessity of earning some money, Mrs. Westoner gave the report of finances she reported a very small amount in treasury. It was arranged to hold a clam bake at the next meeting which will be held at the home of Mrs. Fred Gordon.

Mr. Himmler kindly offered to show a picture for the benefit of the Ladies Aid. The Ladies Aid to pick out picture.

Four new members were added to the list: Mrs. Culp, Mrs. Hofmeister, Mrs. B. Allen and Mrs. R. Eipper.

The Ladies Aid played several games on the lawn and several prizes were awarded. Mrs. Harold Rood delighted the ladies by singing two selections. Gypsy Love song by Victor Herbert.

At Dawning by Cadman, Lillian Rood played a piano solo. A most delightful feature of the afternoon were the prizes given by Mrs. Baur, she offered a prize to the division having the largest number present, 2nd and 3rd divisions having an equal number, the prize was equally divided. The divisions having the smallest number was given a prize also. The prizes awarded amounted to fifty dollars. This wonderful donation was greatly appreciated by the ladies.

A dainty lunch was served to the following: Mrs. E. C. Stevens, Mrs. A. J. Moores, Mrs. M. A. Wilcox, Mrs. W. Himler, Mrs. Ella LaBar, Mrs. Mary Woodbert, Mrs. C. A. Frantz, Mrs. F. M. Gordon, Marguerite Frantz, Mrs. J. E. Hildebrandt, Amanda Zaple, Clara Cook, Mrs. W. F. Daddon, Mrs. Elmer Parrish, Mrs. Sterling Machell, Mrs. D. P. Honeywell, Mrs. Addison Woodbert, Mrs. Amanda Hoormeg, Mrs. George Hofmeister, Mrs. Oscar Culp, Calvin Culp, Wanda Culp, Mrs. A. Van Nootwick, Mrs. Ralph Eipper, Mrs. George Gaertner, Mrs. Sulu Beisel, Mrs. A. S. Turner, Mrs. B. R. Turner, Mrs. B. R. Hefft, Mrs. A. L. Thomas, Mrs. C. C. Gates, Mrs. D. E. Westoner, Mrs. James Oliver, Mrs. R. S. Hallock, Rickard Oliver, Mrs. A. D. Hull, Mrs. Harold Rod, Mrs. Earl Schoch, Elizabeth Schoch, Mrs. George Patterson, Elinor Machell, Mrs. A. D. Hull, Mrs. Wm. Whipp, Miss Faye Whipp, Mrs. Donald Frantz, Mrs. John Frantz, Mrs. Bertha Albertson, Mrs. F. S. Pealer, Mrs. G. A. Baur, Mrs. G. A. Keuhn, Mary Still, Mrs. R. H. Rood, Mrs. E. G. Stevens, Miss Sillian Rood, Mrs. Nelson Whipp.

DALLAS TO HAVE NEW DENTIST

Dr. Robert M. Bodycomb of Wilkes-Barre will open a modern dental office here in the apartment above the Atlantic and Pacific store on or about September 15. Dr. Bodycomb who is a member of one of the old families of Wyoming Valley will make his home in Dallas, occupying the apartment next to his dental office.

A graduate of Wilkes-Barre City schools and of Temple University, he is also a member of Psi Omega fraternity. For the past few years he has been associated with Dr. Dutcher in the Miners Bank Building in Wilkes-Barre.

Railroad History  
Interlaced With  
That of Lumber

Celebration of First American Locomotive  
Trip At Honesdale Is Reminder of  
Coincident of Lumber Industry

Celebration of the first locomotive trip in America which occurred 100 years ago at Honesdale recently, is a reminder of the joint role played by lumbering and railroading in the development not only of the Keystone State, but of the entire Nation.

In August, 1929, the Stourbridge Lion, imported from England, made what is recognized as the first run of the steam locomotive in America. Of special significance to the lumbering days that followed was this short spin of three miles and return in the woods of Wayne county.

The introduction and development of railroads in the Keystone State forecast great days of lumbering, which in less than thirty years brought Pennsylvania to the front as a lumbering state. Then for a like period she held first or second place in this great industry, and although her relative position was third among the states in 1890 and fourth in 1900, her total lumber cut continued to rise to a peak of 2,333,278,000 board feet in 1899.

Time Changed Need

Railroads were intimately associated with lumbering and pioneer settlement. The needs of the early colonists for lumber were easily filled, for there was a forest wilderness on every side. The occasional need for transporting timber was met by wagons. Then, as the pioneers went westward came the exploitation of the forests close to the streams. Considerable quantities of timber rafted for many years until the railroad became the chief means of timber transport. At an early date, however, the railways began to supplement the waterways, and became an increasingly important factor as the trees fringing the streams were removed. They made it possible to carry lumbering into the remote regions where most of the forests were located.

The first rail routes in many sections were logging roads and the fore-runners of many important rail divisions today were humble little narrow gauge logging tracks.

The Bowman's Creek branch was once an important lumber carrier and had its early history almost exclusively connected with the great lumber interests north of Dallas.

Many miles of such lines, that for years served extensive forest areas where farms were few and forests plentiful, were long ago discontinued. But out of the wilderness for many years came a steady stream of logs and into the fastness of the forest went supplies and provisions for the lumberjacks and their families. As population multiplied and settlements grew up and railroads were extended the need for permanent railroads developed. Lines that had come to take out timber found they had come to stay, and railways are still the chief transporters of wood. The great roads of the west, founded upon large timber grants from the government, and among the nation's most extensive forest owners are hauling trainloads of timber back east.

Accustomed as we are to thinking of these roads in terms of steel rails, officials point out that the cost of supplying wooden ties equals or exceeds the item of steel. With upwards of 3,000 ties per mile of track, Pennsylvania's roads alone need over 30,000,000 ties. The fact that ties and other wood requirements place the railroads in the lead of all wood-using industries, lends special significance to that journey of the little Lion in Penn's Woods 100 years ago.

Farm-Raised Boys  
Have Better Chance

Penn State Head Urges Agricultural  
Studies to Prepare Boys For the  
Future

That the farm-raised boy who takes a four-year agricultural college course finds himself upon graduation to enter many phases of agricultural endeavor that he never before considered possible, is the expiring of officials at the Pennsylvania State College.

President Ralph D. Hetzel and the dean of the School of Agriculture, Dr. R. L. Watts, in reviewing occupations (Continued on Page 8)

Wyoming County  
Fair To Be Held  
September 17-21

Military Program, Acrobatics, Races  
and Address By Mayor Mackey of  
Philadelphia Are Features

One of the outstanding county fairs in this section of Pennsylvania, the Wyoming county fair at Tunkhannock, will be held September 17-21. There are many features this year to make it of special interest to people of this section. One of these is the speech by Mayor Mackey of Philadelphia.

Mayor Mackey, born at Montrose, Susquehanna county, has many friends in Wyoming county, and has a large personal acquaintance among Luzerne county citizens as well.

Stepping away from a precedent set in former years which made Thursday the "big day" of the fair, Percy Brunges, energetic new secretary of the association, will attempt to make every day of the fair a feature day this year. Mr. Brunges has been a director of the fair association for a number of years and takes the place as secretary made vacant by the death of O. D. Stark, late representative in the State Legislature from Wyoming county, and long time secretary of the fair association, who died early this summer.

Among the features of the fair will be a greater array of free open air attractions. The famous acrobats and professional divers, Ione and Niles Helkivists, have been engaged for a part of this entertainment. Their performance includes fancy high diving, which concludes with a plunge into a tank of fire. Instead of the Wyoming County Band, as in previous years, a nationally known band will entertain with free bad concerts.

Wednesday will be known as Military Day. Gattery B of the 109th Field Artillery, stationed at Tunkhannock, will give fancy riding exhibitions and military drills. There will also be polo games between teams from the various batteries of the 109th.

Saturday will be Fraternal Day. Many organizations will be present from Luzerne and Lackawanna valleys with their uniformed patrols and bands. An auxiliary of the Odd Fellows' Lodge from Scranton will have a band of forty pieces.

In the agricultural and livestock exhibits a number of special premiums will be awarded for the first time this year. A number of these premiums are for community herds of cattle, a feature never before presented in the livestock show.

The race track has been put in condition and during the summer a number of trainers have had their trotters on the grounds and a number of young horses have shown excellent prospects. The prizes offered in each heat during the fair are good and are expected to attract some of the best horsemen and horses in the upper tier of counties.

Blaze Caused By  
Over-Heated Iron

Fire Causes \$500 Damage to Home of  
Arthur Blewett of Fernbrook On  
Thursday

Fire resulting from an overheated electric iron partially destroyed the living room and contents of the home of W. Arthur Blewett of Fernbrook on Thursday morning. Both Mr. and Mrs. Blewett work in Wyoming Valley so that no one was at home when the fire broke out and when smoke issuing from the windows attracted the attention of water company employees who were working at a house next door.

But for the quick work of these men the house would probably have been more seriously damaged, for it was several minutes after the fire was discovered before Dallas and Shavertown fire companies were summoned to render assistance.

Breaking in a door and window the men were able to play two streams of chemical from extinguishers borrowed from neighbors on the flames until the fire companies arrived. The flames were confined to one corner of the living room. Damage included the destruction of a living room suite, carpets and clothing. The entire house was filled with smoke so dense that fire fighters had difficulty in getting through it to open windows. Damage was approximately \$500.

Before leaving for work Mrs. Blewett had been pressing clothing and in her hurry to reach the valley in time for work had overlooked turning off the iron.

Noxen Youths  
Given Term At  
Reform School

Wilbur iKtchen and Harold Johnson  
Steal and Wreck Ford Sedan—  
Judge Terry Loses No Time In Giving  
Them Full Extent of the Law

Famed Wyoming county justice moved swiftly this week with the result that two Noxen youngsters, Wilbur iKtchen, aged 14, and Harold Johnson, aged 11, will have plenty of time to plan further hair-raising adventures in the quiet of the Glen Mills Reformatory during the next few years.

On Tuesday afternoon the two boys entered the garage of A. L. Meeker at Noxen and stole the switch key from a new Ford sedan in order to make sure that the car would not be used during the rest of the afternoon and night.

Early Wednesday morning, equipped with all necessary materials for a long distance non-stop flight to an undetermined destination, the boys returned to the garage and stole the sedan from its stall. In the equipment with which they filled the back of the car was a jug of cider, extra clothing and a large supply of pipes, cigarettes and tobacco.

The start from Noxen and the trip to Tunkhannock and up the Sullivan Trail was uneventful until the youthful habits reached Meshoppen, where the Ford unable at high speed to make a turn in the road, turned completely over and was totally wrecked. Temporarily thwarted in their plans for adventure, iKtchen and Johnson caught a ride on a truck and returned to Tunkhannock.

In the meantime residents of Meshoppen identified the machine and called A. L. Meeker at Noxen, asking him to come and get it. Mr. Meeker said there must be some mistake because his car was in his garage. Investigation proved otherwise and he immediately got in touch with the sheriff of Wyoming county, who was able to apprehend the culprits. On his trip to Meshoppen to bring the wrecked car home, Mr. Meeker met the two boys near Eatonville, walking toward Noxen. He offered the ride, which they accepted and which was to end at Glen Mills.

The boys were taken by Mr. Meeker before Judge Terry at Tunkhannock, who, recognizing one of them as a previous offender, and gave both of them what he had promised to do some time before if they ever ran afoul of the law again, namely, a term at the Glen Mills reformatory for boys. Both boys have been responsible for petty crimes during the past year and have proved unruly and a problem to their parents.

WOMEN OF ROTARY MEET

Dallas Women of Rotary held their regular meeting on Thursday afternoon and evening. Mrs. Nesbitt Garinger and Mrs. James Besecker of Dallas and Mrs. George Metz of Trucks-ville very graciously used their cars to take the women to Montrose, where they enjoyed a beautifully served dinner at the new Montrose Inn. The motor trip, a short business session and a brief social time preceded dinner, after which the club returned to Wilkes-Barre where they closed the evening with a theatre party.

Those present were: Mrs. Clarence Boston of Noxen, Mrs. James Besecker, Mrs. C. N. Both, Mrs. Nesbitt Garinger, Mrs. Thomas Higgins, Mrs. Lloyd McHenry of Dallas, Mrs. Myron Steele,

Diphtheria Rate  
Here Is Second  
Highest In State

Animal Toxin—Anti Toxin Campaign  
To Be Carried On This Year By  
Welfare Federation With Renewed  
Vigor

Members of the Wyoming Valley Toxin-Antitoxin Committee for the prevention of diphtheria as an unnecessary disease of childhood, learned with alarm during the week that despite the fact that Wilkes-Barre is credited with having each year one of the most thorough immunization campaigns, the city ranking second from the highest in Pennsylvania in the number of diphtheria cases and deaths per 100,000 population. The figures for 1927 furnished by the State Department of Health were imparted to the committee by C. Raymond Chase, secretary, in an especially prepared bulletin. The Toxin-Antitoxin Committee is making active preparation for the seventh annual valley-wide diphtheria prevention campaign, starting the week of September 30.

Pennsylvania itself is twenty-seventh on the list of thirty-nine states reporting, Mr. Chase states, and the death rate for Pennsylvania was 8.6 per 100,000 population as compared with 7.8 for the entire registration area of the United States. Wilkes-Barre city is recorded as having a diphtheria death rate of 26.1 per 100,000 population, which is more than three times as great as the Pennsylvania rate. This city stands next to Johnstown with the highest death rate in the state.

In listing the number of cases of diphtheria per 100,000 population for 1927, Johnstown heads the list with 281.2 and Wilkes-Barre has 207.3. Harrisburg has the least with 20.7 cases per 100,000 population. While Scranton has a case rate of 176.9 per 100,000 population, greater success seems to attend the care of patients in the neighboring city, for the death rate per hundred cases is 5.9 as compared with Wilkes-Barre's fatality of 12.66 per 100 cases.

Following his analysis of the figures, Mr. Chase summarizes his findings and says: "The figures show an alarming situation. Wilkes-Barre has one of the best toxin-antitoxin organizations in the state, still numbers high in average in the number of cases and deaths resulting from diphtheria. We should not cease our fight or slacken our pace until Wilkes-Barre is at the top of the list. We must not think in terms of city pride, but rather in terms of the helpless little children who go to make up these figures."

The local Toxin-Antitoxin Committee proposes a concentrated drive this year for children of pre-school age. Diphtheria works its worst ravages among children between the ages of five months and six years. Stations for the administration of the Toxin-Antitoxin will be established at convenient locations throughout the entire valley. Injections will be given without cost and the immunity against diphtheria from Toxin-Antitoxin is said to be painless and practically certain.

Toxin-Antitoxin clinics will be held as usual throughout the Upper West Side this year. Mothers should bear the date in mind and plan to take their children.

Mrs. Henry Sippel, Mrs. George Russ, Mrs. Earl Monk, Mrs. Herman VanCampen of Shavertown, Mrs. George Metz and Mrs. Ziba Howell of Trucks-ville and Mrs. Marsden of Pittston.

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