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Passumpsic Savings Bank

St. Johnsbury, Vermont

AUTO MISHAP AT HATCHERY

Philip Beck Sustains Fractured Arm When Packard Car Plunges Into Sleeper's River

2 OTHER BOYS UNHURT

Clayton Silsby and John Lee With Injured Boy Got Their Swim Ahead of Time When Bank Near Edge of Road Gives Way and Big Car Topples Over.

An auto accident which resulted in a broken arm for Philip Beck and a somewhat damaged machine occurred about 5:30 Monday afternoon when the seven-passenger Packard driven by Clayton Silsby, age 14, and carrying Philip Beck and John Lee went over the bank into Sleepers river on the road near the fish hatchery. Clayton Silsby, the son of C. E. Silsby, in company with Philip Beck and John Lee, was on his way to go in swimming when the accident happened. They were traveling at a moderate rate of speed, when on the turn before reaching the fish hatchery they met a team and turned out to go by. As

they did another car swung around the bend just ahead of them and in turning out they went too near the edge of the river bank, which gave way. As the car started to turn over young Lee jumped clear of the car, the other boys stayed with it and were fortunate in escaping severe injuries as the heavy machine turned over once and a half before stopping on its side on the river bed, in about two feet of water.

Philip Beck sustained a fracture of both bones of the left arm, and was taken to Brightlook hospital where the fracture was reduced. Silsby was slightly cut by flying glass from the windshield and Lee was uninjured. The car, after being righted was driven out of the river under its own power. The windshield and mudguards were smashed and the body somewhat damaged.

CHANGE AT FAIRBANKS'
Stock Rooms Being Shifted to More Advantageous Positions.

An extensive change is being made at the Fairbanks' shops in the moving of the present stock rooms to a more advantageous position in other parts of the plant. The location of the stock rooms as they have been were not in the location whereby they could be used to the best advantage, so a large force of men have been engaged for some time in making the necessary changes to other parts of the works.

As the new rooms are planned there will be three main stock rooms and a large purchase stock room placed so as to give the highest amount of efficiency.

FRATERNAL MEETINGS

Passumpsic Lodge, No. 27, F. & A. M. Regular Communication Thursday evening, August 10. P. W. JACKSON, W. M. D. R. COLE, Secretary.

Haswell Royal Arch Chapter, No. 11. Called Convocation Friday evening, July 26, at 7:30 o'clock. W. M. and M. E. Degrees. RAYMOND A. PEARL, H. P. FRED G. MOORE, Secretary.

Palestine Commandery, No. 5, K. T. Stated Conclave Tuesday evening, July 11. ELWIN A. SILSBY, Em. Commander. EARL D. EVANS, Recorder.

The Museum of Natural Science. Open week days 9-12 A. M., 1-4 P. M. Sundays 2.30 to 5 P. M. All visitors welcomed.

St. Johnsbury Athenaeum. LIBRARY READING ROOM ART GALLERY 9 o'clock to 9 o'clock each week day, Wednesday evenings excepted. 8 o'clock to 5 o'clock Sundays. All are invited.

LOCAL NOTICES

(Notices will be inserted in this column in reading matter type at the rate of ten cents a line for the first insertion and five cents a line for subsequent insertions of the same copy.) Miss Bertha Wesselohoff Swift of Boston, soprano, and teacher of singing, will spend the summer in this vicinity and will commence teaching the first week in July. Her address will be 88 Main street.

First class seven-passenger auto for hire. C. E. Sparhawk, Phone 336-W. Mrs. A. E. Grov, foot specialist, will be in town Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays only until September 25.—Adv.

Try the new College Ice, "Ruby Flop" at Searles Soda Fountain. From May to September The Caledonian Office will be closed Saturday afternoons. Bring in your business Saturday morning.

Fairbanks Coffee, sold by A. H. Gleason, 73 Main street. If you need a monument or any lettering done in cemetery write or call 534M, J. E. Walker.

A ST. J. BOY IS DROWNED

Canoe in Which Warden Hatch and Guy Lindsay Were Endeavoring to Shoot Rapids in Passumpsic Capsized.

ACCIDENT AT BARNET

Took Place At Junction of River With the Connecticut—Victim Was Student At Vail School and Son of Mr. and Mrs. William Hatch, 111 Main Street—Body Not Recovered. (Special to The Caledonian.)

East Barnet, July 23—Warden Hatch of St. Johnsbury was drowned at 8:30 this morning when the canoe in which he and Guy Lindsay were endeavoring to pass the swift water in the narrows on the Passumpsic river, capsized.

The accident happened at the last bend of the Passumpsic river just before it outlets into the Connecticut river. Soon after 8 o'clock this morning Hatch, in company with Guy Lindsay, started for the river, intending to canoe down the Passumpsic onto the Connecticut. Having passed through the rapids before they thought nothing of it.

The canoe probably hit a submerged rock which tipped it over. Both boys started to swim to the shore nearby, as the stream is only 25 feet wide at that point, although a short distance below it widens into smooth, deep water about a hundred feet wide. It was here that Hatch drowned.

Fred Lindsey, in describing the accident, said that when the canoe tipped over he was only about 10 feet from shore which he reached easily, but hearing a call he turned in time to see Hatch, who had been carried into the wider part of the river, throw up his hands and go down. He hurried to the spot and dived for Hatch a number of times in hopes to bring him up.

The body had not been found up to a late hour last night, although about 25 men are engaged in dragging the river.

Warden Hatch was the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Hatch of 111 Main street. He was 19 years of age and was educated in the public schools of St. Johnsbury. For the past two years he had been taking the agricultural course in the Vail School of Agriculture at Lyndon Center. During the summer vacation he had been employed during haying by Fred Lindsey, whose son was in the canoe at the time of the accident.

William Hatch went to Barnet as soon as news of the accident reached him and word was sent to Mrs. Hatch, who is visiting in Massachusetts.

HATCH BODY RECOVERED

Funeral Wednesday Afternoon From Grace Methodist Church. The body was found in 25 feet of water about 15 or 20 feet distant from the place where the canoe overturned. The remains were brought to the Calderwood undertaking parlor Monday afternoon.

The funeral will be held Wednesday afternoon at one o'clock from the Grace Methodist Episcopal church, Rev. Glenn Douglas of West Burke officiating.

ROY WELLS INJURED FOUL PLAY FEARED

Young Farmer Found in His Wagon With Crushed Skull Early Tuesday Morning on Road From Irasburg to Orleans—Had Been to Former Town To Call on Delia Ducharme and Was Returning Home—Many Theories Advanced As To Cause of Accident

PEOPLE TALK OF A RIVAL SUITOR

Fact That Wells Was Found In Wagon Disposes of His Own Explanation Made in A Moment of Consciousness at Brightlook Hospital To Effect That He Fell Out When The Horse Made A Sharp Turn—Delirious Early Last Evening But Was Resting More Comfortably Early This Morning

(Special to The Caledonian.)

Orleans, July 25—The towns of Orleans and Irasburg are deeply stirred over the mysterious and probably fatal injuries sustained by Roy Wells early this morning while returning here from a call on a young lady in Irasburg, and the majority of people here are not backward in expressing the opinion that the young man met with foul play at the hands of some party moved by jealousy.

The states attorney and the local authorities are investigating the affair but nothing tangible has yet been found to work upon. The injured man having recovered consciousness only for a moment and the explanation given by him was not borne out by the facts surrounding the discovery of the accident.

Wells is a young man employed in farming by Fred Dudley and last night hired a team at the Austin stable and went to Irasburg to call on Miss Delia Ducharme. He was found at three o'clock this morning in his wagon at a point about one mile west of Orleans. His horse was headed for Orleans and was grazing beside the road. It was discovered that he was suffering from a bad wound in the forehead and after authorities were notified the young man was rushed to Brightlook hospital at St. Johnsbury.

Dr. Cleasby of Orleans who first attended the patient reported that the frontal bones of the skull were so badly crushed in as to remove all chance of recovery. Dr. J. M. Allen of St. Johnsbury, who attended the injured man today, stated last night that the man had about one chance in 10 of pulling through.

Dr. Allen said Wells recovered consciousness momentarily during the day long enough to explain that he was thrown out of the team when the horse made a sharp turn. But the doctor did not put much stock in this as he said that the wound looked more like the result of a blow from an axe than a fall from a carriage. The injured man's explanation also does not explain how he was back in the wagon when discovered.

There are several local theories as to the cause of the injury. One version has it that it was foul play on the part of a jealous rival; another that he was kicked by the horse; and still another that he was run down by an unknown autoist who fled from the scene.

The latter theory however is not borne out by the condition of the wagon which was intact except for one shaft being broken.

The accident is known to have happened after 1:30 o'clock as teams passing over the road at that hour met no other vehicles.

The authorities on hearing the report of Dr. Allen of St. Johnsbury redoubled their efforts and it is expected that there will be developments in the case within the next 24 hours.

UNIVERSALIST'S TO MEET HERE

84th Annual Convention of Vermont and Quebec at Church of Messiah August 28 - 31

INTERESTING PROGRAM

Just Announced by State Superintendent Fortier of St. Albans Includes Many of the Finest Speakers of the Denomination—Large Gathering is Now Anticipated.

The 84th annual meeting of the Universalist convention of Vermont and the Province of Quebec will be held in the Church of the Messiah at St. Johnsbury from August 28 to 31.

The program that has just been issued by State Superintendent George F. Fortier of St. Albans is one of particular interest and the speakers that have been secured assure those who attend a chance to hear some fine addresses by many of the best speakers of the denomination.

The meetings of the Young People's Christian union will take place Monday evening, August 28. A praise service will be held at 7 o'clock, led by Weston A. Cate of North Montpelier, a student at the Canton, N. Y., Theological school at St. Lawrence university. The address of welcome will be given by Milton E. Montgomery of St. Johnsbury and the response and annual address by President G. Stanley Miller of East Corinth. Following the appointment of session committees, Rev. H. H. Niles of Lyndonville will preach the annual sermon. A sunrise prayer service will be held at 6 o'clock on the morning of August 29, followed at 8:30 by a business session. The occasional sermon of this session will be preached by Frank A. Stockwell of Londonderry, a student of the Canton school, and

an address will be given by a representative of the national Y. P. C. U. The election of officers will take place.

The Sunday school session is to be held Tuesday morning, August 29, at 11 o'clock, with an address by Rev. Edson Reifsnider, D. D., of Cambridge, Mass. In the afternoon at 2 o'clock will take place the convention of the Woman's Missionary association. Rev. George C. Boorn of Rutland will lead the devotional service. There will be reports by the executive board, the secretary and the treasurer. The president's address will be given by Mrs. Alice J. Allen of Waterloo, Que., and this will be followed by the rollcall of the presidents of local circles, reports of committees, the philanthropic department, post-office work, mite boxes work of the woman's alliance, work in North Carolina by Rev. George Studson DeLano, D. D., of Chester, and the work in Japan by Mrs. Mary Grace Canfield of Woodstock. An address will be given by Dr. Reifsnider. The reports of the committees on resolutions and nominations and the election of officers will close the session.

The opening session of the convention proper will be held Tuesday evening, August 29, at 7 o'clock, when the devotional service will be led by Rev. Albert S. Phillips of Huntingtonville, Que. O. K. Hollister, D. D., of Goddard seminary, Barre, will give the president's annual address. Then will take place the appointment of session committees, addresses will be given by Rev. G. C. Boorn on the subject, "New Wars for Old," and a representative of the Woman's National Missionary association. A collection will be taken for the W. M. A.

Devotional exercises will be held at 8:30 o'clock the morning of August 30. Then will follow reports by the fellowship committee, the secretary superintendent and executive board, Sunday school commission and social service commission. An address will be given by Rev. H. H. Niles on the subject, "Experiencing Religion." Denominational interests will be considered. An address on "Billy Sunday, a Challenge to Liberalism," will be given by Rev. C. E. Bingham of Northfield, the occasional sermon will

CONFESSION ACCUSES MRS. FELCH OF CRIME

State Concludes Its Evidence In Case Against Williams With Statement Of Accused Made While In Jail—Says He Was With Dead Man's Wife When She Fired The Fatal Shot And That He Placed Rifle Beneath The Body.

WOMAN URGED HIM TO MURDER

But He Refused Telling Her That She Could Shoot Him (Williams') On The Spot But That He Never Would Shoot Joe Felch—Defence Has Few Witnesses And Arguments Are Expected Late Today Or Wednesday Morning—What Defence Will Be Is Unknown.

(Special to The Caledonian.)

Chelsea, July 24—With the reconvention of the Orange county court this afternoon the state entered the second week of its case against Otis Williams, charged with complicity in the death of Joseph Felch, by introducing a confession of Williams which admits his part in the crime and accuses Mrs. Felch of firing the shot.

The state's attorney gave notice tonight that the evidence for the prosecution was practically all in and it looked as if the arguments would be reached tomorrow afternoon or Wednesday morning as the defense does not expect to put but few witnesses on the stand.

The confession of Williams told of the intimate relations which existed between him and the dead man's wife and of the incident already related by Deputy Sheriff Welch in which Williams secured some morphine for the purpose of killing a dog and how Mrs. Felch

It went on to relate how things went along until the night on gave the drug to him last February, which Joe Felch died when his wife asked Williams to return to the house after he had done his own chores as she wished to talk to him. He returned to her and she wanted him to go to the sugar-house with her. They started, she taking the rifle along. When they got almost there she told him that she wanted him to shoot Joe. He refused and finally after more talk he told her that she could shoot him (Williams) right there but that he would never shoot Joe Felch.

The statement then says that Mrs. Felch stepped along, peeked into the sugar-house and saw Joe sitting there and that she stooped over and fired. Williams then went in, took the rifle, put it on the floor and tipped the body over it.

Then went back to the house where she insisted that he go inside. He did for a few moments and then went home.

The confession also stated that on a few days before Joe Felch died Williams had given his notice to quit on May 1 and had hired out beginning on that date with Charles Ricker of Groton.

de preached by Rev. George Studson DeLano and the annual communion service of the convention church will be held. In the afternoon at 2 o'clock there will be a social service hour with an address by Dr. Frederick J. Russell, superintendent of the Vermont School for Feeble-Minded at Brandon, on the subject, "The Problem of the Feeble-Minded." There will be a discussion and a question class. This will be followed by a business session, special assignment and election of officers. Rev. Lewis C. Carson, Ph. D., of Montpelier, will give an address which will be followed by departmental conferences. A devotional service will take place at 7 o'clock in the evening, when addresses are to be given by Dr. Reifsnider and Rev. H. P. Morrell, professor of applied Christianity at the Canton, N. Y., Theological school. A collection will be taken for the Gunn ministerial fund.

The last sessions of the convention will be held Thursday morning, Aug 31, opening at 9 o'clock, when unfinished business will be taken up. There will be five-minute addresses by Rev. P. E. Adams, Ph. D., of Felchville, Rev. A. N. Blackford of Rochester, Rev. J. B. Reardon of Barre, Rev. H. L. Canfield of Woodstock and Rev. P. Weller of Washington. Following an open discussion, the closing address will be made by Rev. D. E. Trout of Brattleboro.

FELCH CASE NEAR END

Prosecution Rests at Noon Tuesday—Five Witnesses Corroborating Williams Confession for Defense.

(Special to The Caledonian.)

Chelsea, Vt., July 25—Today's session of the trial of Otis Williams, charged with complicity in the murder of Joseph Felch, was devoted to the clearing up of the odds and ends of the case by the prosecution, which rested at noon, and the introducing of the evidence for the defense.

The counsel for the defendant put on but five witnesses whose testimony merely corroborated the statements made by Williams in his confession. The arguments will be heard tomorrow morning and a verdict is anticipated before night.

TO DISSOLVE CHAMBER

Greek Deputies Will Go Out After August Election.

Athens, July 25—It was decided at the meeting of the Greek cabinet that the chamber of deputies would be dissolved in the August election 40 days later.

NEWBURY PASTOR MISSING

Rev. E. B. Williston of Newbury Not Heard From Since July 6.

Rev. E. B. Williston, pastor of the Newbury M. E. church has suddenly disappeared is the information given out in letters from Rev. R. F. Lowe, district superintendent of the Vermont Methodist Episcopal conference.

Mr. Williston left Newbury on July 6 on a trip to Portland, Me., where it was understood he had a business appointment, and up to the present time has not been heard from. His father is the Rev. Francis Williston of Phillipsburg, N. J., who has been accustomed to receiving two letters a week from his son, but for the past two weeks has received no letters and he has grave fears that he has met with some harm. Rev. Mr. Williston graduated from the Bangor Theological seminary last spring. He was a young man of much promise in his line of work and was very popular in Newbury.

While You Think It's Hot

It may be hotter for some of you. One of our Fire Policies may help out.

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