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ANNOUNCEMENT.  
I hereby announce myself as a candidate for Jury Commissioner, subject to the decision of the Republican County Convention.

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CONDENSED NEWS.

Why not have a trolley line?  
Political aspirants are numerous.  
Republican primaries Friday evening between the hours of 7 and 9.

The Merry-go-round at DeWitt's park is doing a rushing business.

Most of the Danville lodges will picnic during August.

The District Attorney will be busy at the next term of Court.

July is now on the last lap, but August will probably break the heat record.

The camping at Mountain Grove is near at hand and from all indications the attendance will be very large this year.

Yesterday's showers were appreciated by the town folks and farmers alike.

Allow no garbage to accumulate during the hot weather. Deadly disease may follow.

The pulling out of a drawhead of a car in a west bound freight train on the Pennsylvania railroad at South Danville yesterday delayed the 12:35 p. m. passenger train one half hour.

The repairs to be made at the various school buildings in this city will be completed within a few weeks.

The tenth annual reunion of the Susquehanna Lutherans will be held at the Milton park, Milton, Pa., on Thursday, August 23.

The Schuykill Valley Telephone company has 3,000 phones, which will be operated in Schuykill county shortly.

The families of Dr. Omeron Schultz, Thomas Vincent and A. H. Grone held their annual family picnic at Dr. Schultz' farm in Valley township yesterday.

National Guardsmen are looking forward to the coming camp with eagerness.

Owing to the extreme heat the Silk Mill was not operated on Saturday.

Political buttons are appearing on every other coat.

A daughter arrived at the home of Photographer I. C. Lee, Mill street, yesterday.

Beda, the barber has had an attractive sign painted on the building occupied by him.

The festival, at St. Peter's M. E. Church, South Danville, was well attended on Saturday night.

Many portions of Montour county are said to be suffering seriously from the continued drought.

The Episcopalians of Mt. Carmel will shortly erect a new church.

Miss Ida Gallagher has accepted the position of supply operator in the exchange of the Montour & Columbia Telephone company.

Stoes' band will furnish sacred music at the Y. M. C. A. open air meeting at the foot of West Mahoning street Sunday afternoon.

The R. R. Y. M. C. A. of Sunbury, will hold their annual picnic at Paxtang park, Harrisburg, on Saturday. Some 1500 people are expected to attend. The fare from Sunbury is \$1.

Let us have the trolley line before another year.

A. J. Blue and John I. Budman will leave in a few days for a bicycle trip through New York state. They will visit Buffalo, Rochester, Syracuse, Elmira and other cities.

Mrs. Hannah Geringer desires to return thanks to the friends and neighbors who so kindly assisted her in her recent bereavement.

The A. M. E. church, of Bloomsburg, will commence their annual camp meeting at Rupert, Saturday, July 28, and lasting over two Sabbaths. All are invited to come and have a good time in the service of God. Best of order will be observed by all; no intoxicants allowed on or about the grounds.—Daniel Newsom, pastor.

In Saint Paul's M. E. church lecture this evening the Rev. Richard Gilbert, of Berwick, will give his interesting series of stereopticon views, taken at the Mountain Grove camp meeting.

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DANVILLE, PA., THURSDAY, JULY 26, 1900.

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MORE TEACHERS' SALARIES RAISED

Miss Musselman, Miss Bloom and Miss Bennett Receive Advances.

A regular meeting of the School Board was held Monday night with the following members present: President Fischer, Orth, Harpel, Green, Werkheiser, Burger, Fenstermacher, Langer, Keefe, Curry, Farber and Black.

It was voted to remove the plaster in the annex of the Fourth ward building and replace same with hard finish; also that the wood work be repainted; The work of repairing furnace pipes was given to W. E. Boyer.

It was decided that Will G. Brown examine and repair the locks on the doors of the Third ward building.

It was moved and carried that all bills presented to the board hereafter be laid over for a period of two weeks. The board members were of the opinion that the bills have been paid too hurriedly.

The rates of tuition were next brought up and the prices charged by various nearby towns were presented. In each case the tuitions were larger than those of the local schools. The question was referred to the transfer committee.

A communication was received from Miss Musselman asking that her salary be raised and a motion was made to lay the communication on the table. This motion, however, was lost and it was voted to reconsider the salaries of Miss Musselman; also Miss Bloom and Miss Bennett. It was decided that these salaries be raised. Miss Musselman's from \$55 to \$60; Miss Bloom's from \$50 to \$55; Miss Bennett's from \$40 to \$45.

It was voted that Architect Brugler superintend the painting of the Third ward school house. The bids for this work were read as follows:

W. H. Messer.....\$314.00

Emerson Adams..... 311.75

C. F. Heasley..... 341.00

The contract was awarded to Mr. Adams.

The following bids for flooring in the First and Third ward buildings were read:

G. F. Reifnyder..... \$142.00

S. M. Trumbower..... 137.50

Casper Diseroad..... 115.00

The work was let to Mr. Diseroad, providing he signs the contract within the next 3 days.

Bids were also made for the repairing and painting the window blinds, but it was decided not to make these repairs at present.

The following bills were ordered paid:

John R. Langer..... \$13.40

G. F. Reifnyder..... 71.01

B. G. Carpenter & Co..... 20.35

D. J. Rogers..... 2.75

D. C. Williams..... 9.50

Isaiah Dawson..... 3.75

John Everett..... 8.00

Boyer & Baker..... 7.72

Thomas Vincent..... 859.78

Ezra Haas..... 3.75

George W. Herdricks..... 6.95

W. H. Orth..... 38.15

MORNING NEWS..... 8.46

REPUBLICAN COUNTY CONVENTION

The Republican County Convention will be held in the Court House on Saturday morning, July 28th, at 10:30 o'clock.

The primaries will be held on Friday evening, July 27, between the hours of 7 and 9 o'clock at the usual voting places.

Mr. Titel's Father Seriously Ill.

John Titel, father of Lewis Titel, of this city, and Bloomsburg's oldest citizen, is seriously ill at the home of his son-in-law, Hiram Palmer, on West Third street, that place, and on account of his advanced age little or no hopes are entertained of his recovery. Mr. Titel was 101 years old on the 16th day of last November. Mr. Titel, accompanied by Dr. S. Y. Thompson, called on his aged father Tuesday.

Athletic Association Boat Ride.

An athletic association was recently formed by a number of young men of this city, which is to be known as the Danville Athletic Association. A boat ride to Chulasky will be given by the Association on Friday evening, to which the public is invited. Tickets 10 cents. The Association is arranging for a field day at DeWitt's park early in August.

Will Double Its Capacity.

Some big repairs are now in progress at the plant of the Danville Rolling Mills, which indicates that it will soon be in operation again and its capacity will be doubled.

Work was commenced yesterday on the erection of 3 double puddle furnaces and three high mangle rolls. Just when the mill will be started Supt. Mallen is unable to state.

Improvements Progressing.

The work of improving the Y. M. C. A. building is being pushed as rapidly as possible and will probably be completed within a short time.

The carpenters and plasterers have completed their work and the painters and calciminers will begin work next week. Three new baths—one shower and two tubs—have been put in.

No Agreement Reached.

No agreement was reached yesterday by the employes of the public department of the Reading Iron works and the company. As a result the bars were drawn yesterday afternoon and the puddle mill will probably not be put in operation again this week.

A BIG DAY FOR BEAVER LODGE

Arrangements Completed for the Annual Picnic on August 1.

The committee having in charge the arrangements for the big K. of C. picnic to be held at DeWitt's park Wednesday, Aug. 1, have arranged a very interesting program.

The first event, which will occur at 1 o'clock, will be a five inning base ball game between the fats and leans. John D. Evans will captain the fats and A. C. Amesbury the leans. The umpires will be George W. Miles and Lewis Byerly. The prize will be a silver cup.

The other events are as follows:

One hundred yards dash.

Watermelon race.

Handicap bicycle race.

Wheelbarrow race, the prize an ornamental cup.

Apple match.

Tug of war.

Bicycle race.

Blue rock shooting contest, prize a K. of P. design.

There will be dancing during the afternoon and evening. The music will be under the direction of H. H. Wylie.

Hacks will begin running to the park at 8 a. m. from the court house and from the corner of Bloom and Mill streets. Baskets may be left at the barber shop of Kinney Evans, Market street; the court house; at Thomas Evans' barber shop, Bloom street. All members are requested to secure tickets from the committee composed of Wesley Hollabaugh, Charles Getz, Edward Purpur, Claude Gost, Edward Rudy, David Evans and John G. Waite.

The Trolley Would be in Operation.

Were it not for the stubbornness of several land owners between this city and Bloomsburg a portion of the Danville-Bloomsburg-Berwick trolley line would now be in operation.

When the MONTOUR AMERICAN of Feb. 8, announced that a survey for the line would be commenced on that date, the probability of the project was somewhat scaled at. The fact that such men as Hon. B. F. Meyers and his son-in-law, Ellis L. Mumma, of Harrisburg, were interested in the enterprise, however, made those who are acquainted with Mr. Meyers' relations with the Harrisburg and Wilkesbarre trolley lines, think differently.

For the first time since the survey was completed Mr. Meyers and Mr. Mumma are now going over the proposed route. Tuesday morning they were in this city and in the afternoon they went to Bloomsburg.

Mr. Meyers Tuesday expressed himself as being pleased with the survey and stated that if difficulty had not been experienced in the securing of the right of way from two or three parties between this city and Bloomsburg, a portion of the line would now be in operation. As soon as these cases can be adjusted, which will likely be shortly, the work of construction will begin.

Pleasant Hack Party.

A hack party, given in honor of Miss Mary Shoener, of Shamokin, drove to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Shultz in West Hemlock township, on Monday evening. Those present were: Misses Sara Waters, Bertha Newbaker, Annie Remppe, Maggie Doster, Emma Bird, Nellie Jameson, Minta Shultz, Louise McClure, Bertha Crossley, Naomi Shultz; Messrs. Harry Farnsworth and Val West of Philadelphia; Harry B. Patton, W. V. Oglesby, Esq., Dr. L. K. Cleaver, Charles Lyon, Charles Seibert, and Will Egbert.

Entertained Many Friends.

A large number of friends were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bucher, of Riverside on Saturday, in honor of Mr. Bucher's twenty-second birthday. Seventy-five guests were present for dinner and supper.

The Riverside Social Club and Mr. and Mrs. George W. Roat, of this city, presented Mr. Bucher with two very handsome chairs. He also received many other gifts. Guests were present from Catawissa, Sunbury and this city.

It Required Many Bricks.

The brick wall, which is in the course of construction around the grounds of Castle Grove, is a gigantic piece of work and when completed 295,000 bricks will have been used.

Yesterday work was commenced on the south wall, which will require 120,000 bricks. In building the west wall 155,000 bricks were used and 20,000 were used in the gateway. The wall is 17 inches wide at the base and is 24 inches at the top, including the coping.

The grounds near the gate are being beautified and rearranged.

Marshall-Gripps.

At the residence of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Marshall, Water street, last Tuesday evening occurred the marriage of George C. Marshall, a well-known young man of this city, to Miss Elizabeth Cripps, daughter of William Cripps, engineer at the State Hospital gas plant. A number of friends witnessed the ceremony, which was performed by the Rev. J. F. Hower. Mr. and Mrs. Marshall will reside with the former's parents.

A Costly Fight.

A performance almost as interesting as that of a circus took place in the alley at the rear of Eckert's boarding house Friday afternoon. Joseph Hite and James Fedler, employes at the Reading Iron Works, had some little dispute and as their discussion grew quite hot, they adjourned to the alley to fight it out. They were just finishing the first round when Officer Voris appeared and promptly arrested them.

At the hearing before Squire Bare, the parties were charged with disorderly conduct. They were fined \$7 each.

A Victory for the "77s."

The "77s" easily defeated the Bloomsburg Junior base ball team at DeWitt's Park on Saturday afternoon, the score being 15 to 5. The battery for the home team was composed of Klase and Robinson and Savits and Riebing were the points for the juniors. The attendance was unusually large.

Will be Overseer of the Cooking.

Robert Miller has been engaged as overseer of cooking for Company F during the coming encampment. Mr. Miller has acted in this capacity several times before.

THE DISPOSITION OF BESSEMER PLANT

Will be Made at a Special Meeting of Stockholders.

On Monday, July 23, it will be decided what disposition will be made of the plant of the Danville Bessemer Steel Company. The following notice of a special meeting has been received by the various stockholders of the company:

"A special meeting of the stockholders of the Danville Bessemer Company will be held on the 30th day of July, 1900, at 11 a. m., at the office of the company, 419 Market street, Camden, N. J., for the purpose of voting upon the question of conferring upon the board of directors full authority to sell, assign, transfer and dispose of all or part of the whole property to this corporation, and to divide the proceeds of said sale, with other moneys in the treasury, among stockholders of record at the time such distribution is made. No other business will be transacted."

The stockholders are asked to sign and return by proxy immediately if they are in favor of this sale and distribution.

Lizzie Knorr Attempts Suicide.

Miss Lizzie Knorr, daughter of Mrs. Mary Knorr, who resides at the home of William Myers, on Railroad street, attempted suicide in Philadelphia on Monday morning by turning on the gas in her bedroom and then going to sleep.

Miss Knorr formerly resided with her parents in this city and was well-known here. With her sister, Mame, she left Danville some years ago and they took up their abode at 1538 Seibert street, Philadelphia. It was here that she attempted to take her life. The Philadelphia North American in giving the details of the attempt at suicide says that Clara Lewis, who resides in the same house with the Knorr girls was aroused by the fumes of the escaping gas early Monday morning. It was found that Lizzie had locked herself in her room, turned on the unlighted gas and lay down to sleep it all away. In an unconscious state she was taken to the German Hospital in an ambulance. The doctors were at first unable to say whether the case would result fatally. A telegram received by the girl's mother yesterday, however, stated that she was slightly better.

Very Serious Runaway Accident.

Mr. and Mrs. Simon Moser, who reside near Washingtonville on the Washingtonville road, while returning home from market in this city on Saturday, met with a very serious accident.

About four miles from this city on the road leading from the Fenstermacher tannery to the Ed. Boyer distillery, which is a very dangerous one, the horse stumbled and fell over a steep embankment, dragging the wagon and its occupants with it. Both Mr. and Mrs. Moser were badly hurt. The former was cut and bruised about the head and face. Mrs. Moser was pinned between the wagon and fence, and was severely cut and bruised and has several ribs broken.

A Runaway Horse Breaks Its Neck.

A valuable horse belonging to Liveryman P. W. Leas was instantly killed as the result of a runaway Sunday evening. The animal had been rented by John Baker, and while driving near the grist mill it became unmanageable and Mr. Baker alighted from the buggy.

The horse ran toward this city and in doing so came in contact with another vehicle coming in the same direction. The runaway in some manner tripped and fell, alighting on its head and breaking its neck. Death was instantaneous.

Adopted New Books.

An adjourned joint meeting of the School Board and the teachers was held Tuesday evening with ten directors and thirteen teachers present. The following new books were adopted: Gordy's U. S. history to replace Barnes' history; Nichol's Arithmetic to replace Mihe's Arithmetic; Barnes' system of vertical writing to replace the Sheldon system.

Coming Picnics at DeWitt's Park.

The following picnics have been booked for DeWitt's Park: July 26, Evangelical church and Sunday school; July 27, German Lutheran church and Sunday school; Aug. 1, Knights of Pythias; Aug. 7, Masonic order of Catawissa; August 11, Clark family reunion; August 26, Voris family reunion.

The new drinking fountain is already doing good service.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Brief Mention of the Movement of Your Friends and Acquaintances.

Mrs. Margaret Young, Mrs. William Young and son, Lewis, and Miss Alice Himes spent yesterday in Catawissa.

Bernard Enright is visiting friends in Wilkesbarre and Scranton.

Miss Charlotte Persing and William Kemp were guests yesterday at the Hineckley cottage, Roaring Creek.

W. H. Ammerman made a business trip to Catawissa yesterday.

Miss Clara Horton is visiting relatives in McEwensville.

Lieut. William Clark, of South Danville, was in Sunbury yesterday.

The Rev. O. G. Heck left yesterday for a trip to Harrisburg.

Charles Newberry attended a funeral in Milton yesterday.

Miss S. W. Browne is visiting Harrisburg friends.

Andrew Pohl left yesterday for Miami City, Ohio, where he will take up his residence.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kawn, of Shamokin, were the guests last evening of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Jones, on Mulberry street.

Miss Maggie Tooley, of Philadelphia, is visiting her mother, Mrs. John Tooley, Vine street.

Miss Mary Moyer, of Williamsport, is visiting relatives in this city.

Mrs. Clarence Erick and children left yesterday for Lake Winola. Judge Holloway and family will leave for that resort today, where they will spend six weeks.

Miss Helen Jameson, of Berwick, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Samantha Jameson, West Mahoning street.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Gearhart returned last evening from a ten days' stay at the Delaware Water Gap.

Mrs. Adin R. Myers, of Pittsburg, formerly Miss Ivy Rishel, is visiting at the Rishel homestead on East Front street.

Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Patterson and daughter, Miss Abigail, spent Sunday at Harvey's Lake.

Miss Bridget Murphy, known as Sister Mary Bennet, of the Convent of Mercy, Pittsburg, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Murphy, First street. This is her first visit in nine years.

Miss Rebecca Gearhart, of Lewisburg, was the guest Sunday of Mrs. Catherine Van Nostran, Riverside.

William S. Metler, of Brooklyn, N. Y., is visiting at the home of Oscar Kase, Mill street.

Sister Mary Fides, of the Convent of Mercy, Pittsburg, formerly Miss Belle Shepperson, of this city, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Shepperson, East Front street.

Mrs. A. A. Geisinger returned from a trip to Philadelphia yesterday.

Mrs. James Vandling left yesterday for a visit of several weeks with Mrs. J. S. Short, Scranton.

Philip Dechant, of Middletown, Conn., called on friends in this city yesterday.

Master Harry Ricketts, of Wilkesbarre is visiting at the home of Frank Howe, West Mahoning street.

HIS NAME WAS WINFIELD S. TOBIAS

The Man Who Took An Overdose of Laudanum Wednesday Evening.

The name of the man whose death, from an overdose of laudanum, occurred in this city on Wednesday night, was Friday found to be Winfield Scott Tobias. He could not have been very well known in this section and it is thought that the only living relative he may have is a sister residing in Harrisburg.

As the dead man was not William Davis, a second inquest was held Friday afternoon. From the evidence there was no doubt that Winfield Scott Tobias was the name of the man. He is said to be from Perryburg, Dauphin county. William James and Edward Coleman of Salmon's carriage shops identified the man. They had worked with him at Mansfield a year ago. The dead man had lodged at the Heldens House at different times for several weeks and the last time he was there, he left two valises in the care of Landlord Moser. Mr. Moser did not know the man's name, but Friday morning he viewed the dead body and at once recognized the man as the lodger.

In the valises were found about fifteen dollars in cash, a good suit of clothes and a book, on the fly leaf of which was written the name "Winfield Scott Tobias." In another book was found the following inscription: "Mrs. Kate Messner, 410 Brigs street, Harrisburg—this is my sister."

The verdict by the jury was the same as Thursday with the exception that the name Winfield Scott Tobias was substituted for William Davis. A telegram was sent to Mrs. Messner Friday morning informing her of her brother's death, but at 7 o'clock Friday night no answer had been received. During Friday afternoon the Chief of Police of Harrisburg was called by telephone and instructed to inquire whether the dead man had relatives residing in this city by the name of Messner. In reply Poor Overseer Kerns Friday night at 7:30 received the following telegram:

HARRISBURG, Pa., July 27.

P. M. KERNS.

Embalm body. It will be brought here.

Signed, J. B. KOURZ, Chief of Police.

As the body was already in a badly decomposed state, Undertaker Roat had just made the burial at the Poor House farm and the grave had been partly covered up, when a messenger handed him a copy of the above telegram. Poor Overseer Kerns answered the telegram at once stating that Tobias had been buried. From the tone of the telegram it is supposed that the sister of the dead man has been found and that she will have the body sent to Harrisburg.

Ethel Herrington Surprised.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Herrington gave a surprise party for their daughter, Ethel, at their home on East Market street, Saturday evening, in honor of her eleventh birthday. The evening was pleasantly spent by the children playing in the square and later they marched to the home of Ethel's grandmother, Mrs. Jennie Herrington, to piano music, furnished by Miss Annie Miles. Here refreshments were served, among which was a cake surrounded by eleven candles. Ethel received many handsome presents.

Those present were: Elsie Moore, Marie and Isabel Seebach, Margaret Sider, Ruth Rick, Margaret Barber, Alice Wetzel, Bertha Cloud, Eleanor Corman, Alice and Florence Heim, Clara Detweiler, Mira Saunders, Florence Price, and Lou Gault.

Little Girl's Narrow Escape.

Catherine, the eight-year-old daughter of Eugene A. Moyer, of 19 Penn street, had a very narrow escape from being seriously injured on Mill street, Saturday evening.

The child was in the act of crossing Mill street, near the Hotel Oliver, when a horse driven by a farmer, down that thoroughfare, at a quite rapid pace, struck and knocked her down. The animal passed over the little girl and by the time the driver managed to stop she was lying helplessly under the carriage.

When one of the horse's hoofs struck her or a wheel of the wagon passed over her body, both she and spectators of the