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CONDENSED NEWS.

The Third ward school building is receiving its third and last coat of paint. Milto has raised nearly \$100 for the Turbotville fire sufferers.

Mrs. Franklin Shillamer is quite seriously ill at her home on Rough and Ready street.

Peter Woods, of Chambers street, is the proud father of a son, which was born on Tuesday.

While picking fruit at his home Tuesday Jacob Mathias, the oldest and most prominent merchant of Northumberland fell from a high ladder to the ground and was instantly killed.

Everyone should assist in making the G. A. R. picnic on Friday a big success. Positively no admittance fee to the park will be charged.

At present there are but five prisoners confined in the county jail.

Ex-Governor Robert E. Pattison will open the campaign in Columbia county early in September.

An infant daughter arrived at the home of William Shultz, First street, on Tuesday morning.

The dry season seems to be general. In many places in Pennsylvania trains are tied up on the railroads, the water supply having given out. Water is being hauled in tanks to fill the engines so that they can proceed.

The Pennsylvania railroad is hauling considerable limestone this year. Many of the quarries of the State are being worked and there is a big demand for ballast.

The telegraphers along the main line, P. R. R., expect a five dollar increase before long.

The price of tea has advanced owing to the Chinese trouble.

By a recent ruling of the post office department, postmasters are forbidden to address mail for patrons, to enclose it in the envelope, seal it or affix stamps.

The churches have been well attended so far this summer. August is the falling off month.

The Milton branch of the American Car and Foundry company have received a contract to build three hundred and fifty Pennsylvania R. R. standard 80,000 pound capacity Hopper Coal cars.

Pennsylvania Railroad Supervisors and trackmen are now getting their sections in shape for the annual inspection of the great railroad, which will be made early this fall by President A. J. Cassatt and party, at a date not yet announced.

The contract for supplying the public fountain with ice has been awarded to J. W. Berninger. Two hundred pounds daily will be furnished.

A terrific rain storm accompanied by heavy winds swept over Luzerne county Sunday afternoon and did great damage. The lower end of Williamsport suffered greatly.

Judge Little of this county, while recently holding court, in Luzerne county, rendered a decision, that although dogs are personal property they may be killed when caught destroying sheep, and the person so doing is not liable for damages to owners of the canines.

Ritter Goss, of Red Rock, Columbia county, charged with willfully driving over and causing the death of bicyclist John Cole, near Benton, on the night of July 21, was given a habeas corpus hearing before Judge R. R. Little Monday and a \$2500 bail for court.

A big apple crop is reported on the way and the outlook for plenty of fruit of this kind was never more promising.

Dry weather and the price of potatoes are twin evils.

Since the close of Camp Hawkins Adjutant General Stewart and his assistants have been busy day and night in the drawing of warrants for the pay of the officers and men of the National Guard for service during the encampment. The warrant for the payment of the Third Brigade, to which Company F, of this city, is attached, was made out yesterday.

It is reported that the Eighth Regiment N. G. P., will be disbanded, leaving the Third Brigade with four twelve-company regiments instead of five regiments of eight and ten companies each. Five of the companies of the Eighth, according to this report, will be mustered out. It seems to be understood that the two Harrisburg companies will be retained and assigned to the Twelfth Regiment.

WILL BUILD A NEW COUNTY BRIDGE

One Will be Erected Shortly in Mayberry Township

Mayberry township will shortly have a new county bridge. For a long time the residents of that township, as well as the citizens of Rush township, Northumberland county, have sorely felt the need of a bridge across Little Roaring Creek, which stream divides the two counties.

Friday County Commissioners A. H. Cooner, W. H. Rohrbach and G. W. Raudenbush, of Northumberland county, and Commissioners Miles, Sandel and Ferry, of this county, visited the proposed site for the new bridge, for the purpose of securing dimensions, etc. It was practically decided to construct a steel and iron bridge, 30 feet in length, which will cost between \$600 and \$700.

The Northumberland County Commissioners also inspected the recent repairs made on the river bridge, this city.

An Assault Case Settled.

Another assault and battery case was heard before Justice Hunter last evening.

The action was brought by Mrs. David Nuss, of Riverside, who charged Lewis Flanagan, aged 17 years, a son of William Flanagan, with having assaulted her son Harry, aged 13 years.

The Nuss lad is employed in the Keim brick yard, in the upper end of this city and both he and his mother claim that while he was engaged at his work Flanagan struck him in the face with his fist. Flanagan, however, claimed that young Nuss tried to strike him with a brick-bat. A settlement was finally reached by Flanagan's father paying the costs.

Pleasant Lawn Party.

Miss Elizabeth Vastine gave a lawn party at her home, West Market street, yesterday afternoon, in honor of her twelfth birthday. The following were present: Misses Grace and Mildred Dimmick, Katharine and Helen Gerhart, Elsie Moore, Eloise Cressman, Edith Blue, Sarah Beaver, Ruth Moorehead, Anna Shultz, Edith Jenkins, Elsie Lloyd, Phoebe Curry, Florence Price, Florence Trumbower, Katharine and Elizabeth Vastine, Sarah Hinckley and Saul McCoy.

Particularly Sad Death of an Infant.

Particularly sad was the death of George Payne, Jr., the two-years-old son of George J. Payne, who was seriously injured by being caught between two freight cars in Philadelphia on last Friday.

The infant died Tuesday at the home of his mother on Sidler Hill of cholera infantum.

It will be some weeks before Mr Payne will be discharged from the hospital.

His Left Arm Badly Out.

Wesley Holabough, of 414 East Front street, was the victim of a painful accident, which happened at the Howe & Polk Structural Tubing works Saturday afternoon. Mr. Holabough was assisting in removing a belt and in some manner his left arm came in contact with the ragged edge of a piece of piping, cutting an ugly gash between the wrist and elbow several inches in length. The wound bled profusely and Dr. Harpel was obliged to take several stitches in it.

James Murray Fractures an Arm.

James Murray, the well-known commercial traveler, met with an accident at his home on East Front street Friday afternoon.

Mr. Murray was entering the rear door of his residence, when his foot caught on one of the steps, causing him to fall. He alighted on his right arm, fracturing that member between the elbow and wrist.

Dr. Curry was summoned and reduced the fracture.

Pleasant Hack Party.

A pleasant hack party from this city drove to the home of Mrs. Edward Muehler, near Elysburg yesterday, where they were pleasantly entertained. The following composed the party: Mrs. I. T. Patton and son James, Mesdames Julia Moyer, Gies Lauberson, George Spade, John Reppert, Howard Reppert and daughter, Ethel, Emory Heimbach and children, Solomon Smith, William Smith, John Deibert, and John Jones.

Arrested for Begging.

A stranger having all the requirements that go to make up a "hobo" of the worst type, was arrested by Policeman Vorlister evening for soliciting money from various citizens. The fellow entered several business places and when his requests were refused would loudly abuse the refuser. He was doing this in Gosh's drug store when he was arrested.

Drove to Bloomsburg.

The following ladies and gentlemen enjoyed a hack drive to Bloomsburg last evening: Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Bloch and guests, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Gross and son Gerald, Mrs. Hannah Wyle, Misses Gertrude Heim, Bertha Goldsmith, and Blanche Gross, Messrs. Henry L. Gross, Joseph Heim.

Released on Bail.

Paul Thompson, who was arrested in Philadelphia several weeks ago, charged with non-support and the desertion of his wife and four children was yesterday released from jail upon securing bail to the amount of \$500. K. S. Ammerman, Esq., was his bondsman.

TURBOTVILLE A PREY TO FLAMES

Forty-Seven Buildings Destroyed in That Place Saturday.

As a result of a fire which swept the town of Turbotville, Northumberland county, about 15 miles from this city, Saturday afternoon, forty-seven buildings are in ruins and about 150 people are homeless. Many were obliged to camp over night in the woods near the town.

Every cistern and well in the town was pumped dry in the efforts to gain control of the fire and for a long time the indications were that the entire town would be destroyed. Of the forty-seven burned buildings twenty-one are dwellings, three are stores, and the remainder barns and stables.

The fire started at 12:30 o'clock in a large barn occupied jointly by John Moser and Peter Menges. A quantity of new hay was stored in the loft of the building, and it is believed the fire ignited by spontaneous combustion. The buildings in that locality were all of frame, and burned like paper. In a few minutes after the fire was first discovered the flames had spread to adjoining buildings, and were soon under great headway, favored by a strong wind which was blowing.

Messages were sent to Milton and Watsonstown for assistance, but before the apparatus of those places started for the scene the order was countermanded, it having been discovered that there was not sufficient water in the town to permit the working of the fire-fighting machines. For nearly five hours the flames raged, destroying everything in their path. The heaviest losers are Peter Menges, K. Hayman and Lewis Robenolt, who conducted the three stores which were destroyed. A partial list of losers follows:

Peter Menges, store and dwelling; John Moser, dwelling and barn; K. Hayman, furniture store, dwelling and barn; Geo. Williams, dwelling and barn; Lewis Robenolt, general store and barn; H. C. Bitter, blacksmith shop and dwelling; E. C. Troxell's dwelling and barn; W. J. Steiner, dwelling and barn; William Barnes, dwelling; A. T. Phleger, dwelling and barn; Joseph Walschmidt, dwelling; Runyon sisters, dwelling; Luther Smith, dwelling; Daniel Keeler, dwelling; Abram Hefflinger, dwelling. Two horses were burned to death.

A New Armory for Company F.

The prospects for a new armory for Company F, are at present very bright and steps will shortly be taken to raise a sufficient amount to erect a building to take the place of the one now in use, which was condemned by Major Millar at the recent company inspection.

The plan which prominent members of Company F, now have in mind seems to be a most feasible one. Their purpose is to form a stock company, with a capital of about \$5,000. A large part of this amount will be used to erect a frame armory, the dimensions of which will probably be about 150 by 75 feet. The company will then rent the building from the stock company and pay an amount which will give the stock holders a good rate of interest on their investment.

Five thousand dollars would be a sufficient amount to erect a building, which would meet every requirement and it is expected that no difficulty will be experienced in getting people to take stock.

Members of Company F, are on the lookout for a favorable and convenient site and have several in view.

Annual Reunion of the Clark Family.

The annual reunion of the Clark family was held at DeWitt's Park Saturday and was attended by about one hundred and fifty of the Clark connection, who came from various parts of Montour, Northumberland and Columbia counties.

The day was enjoyably spent and the following were selected as officers for the year: President, W. P. Clark, Quitman; secretary, W. K. Clark, South Danville; executive committee, William Ely, John P. Cooner, Watsonstown; J. C. Baird, P. M. Moore, Sunbury; J. D. C. Kase, Elysburg and Thomas Elmes, Howellville.

The next reunion of the family will be held at DeWitt's park, the last Saturday in August 1901.

A Little Girl Badly Burned.

A terrible and almost fatal burning accident occurred at the home of Mrs. Elizabeth Seidel, 402 East Front street, Saturday morning, the victim of which was Martha, Mrs. Seidel's six-years-old granddaughter.

The little girl was amusing herself, lighting matches in an out building, when her dress caught fire, and she was soon enveloped in flames. Mrs. Ellen Snyder, a neighbor, who chanced to be near, extinguished the flames with an apron. The child was badly burned about the breast, back and arms.

Bible Class Report.

Following is the report of the Danville Bible Class for the third quarter of the second year:

Number of members enrolled, 319; number of members moved away, 2; number of members died, 2; number of members dropped for non-attendance, 25; total attendance for the quarter, 2,152; members, 1,672; visitors, 480; total attendance for 21 months, 15,464; members, 12,577; visitors, 2,887; amount of collections for the quarter, \$10,71; collections for 21 months, \$81.38; total number of deaths, 4; number joining church or army, 17; ministerial visits, 21; added to the class during the quarter, 31.

Biennial Conclave Knights of Pythias, Detroit, Mich., Aug. 27 to Sept. 1.

On account of the above the Lackawanna railroad company will sell excursion tickets to Detroit for one fare for the round trip. Good going, Aug. 25 to 27; returning until Sept. 5.

A Maudsall Festival.

The Junior Christian Endeavor Society of Maudsall church will hold a lawn festival at the church, Saturday evening, Aug. 18. Refreshments will be served.

Looking for Stolen Brass.

James A. Taylor, of Scranton, a special agent for the Lackawanna railroad, was in this city yesterday looking for stolen brass.

Charter for Mercantile Company.

A charter was issued yesterday to the Danville Mercantile Company of this city. Capital \$25,000.

MRS. PATTERSON FOUND DEAD IN BED

Very Sudden Demise of a Well-Known Lady.

Extremely sudden was the death of Mrs. Mary E. Patterson, the well-known milliner and wife of J. C. Patterson, who was found dead in bed at her home, 346 Mill street, Sunday morning.

At about 10 o'clock Saturday night Mrs. Patterson, apparently in her usual health, retired for the night and shortly afterwards her husband followed her example. About 6 o'clock Sunday morning the latter arose and Mrs. Patterson appeared to still be asleep. He went down stairs and when he returned a short time afterwards to arouse his wife, he was horrified to find her dead.

It is thought that her death occurred about 2 a. m., and the condition of bed clothing denoted that she died without the slightest struggle. Death is supposed to have been due to heart failure.

The deceased was 62 years of age and for the past 27 years she had been engaged in the millinery business in this city. She is survived by a husband and two daughters, Mrs. William Kase West, and Miss Mary Patterson.

The funeral which took place yesterday was largely attended, the Rev. Dr. W. I. Stearns officiating. Interment was made in the Presbyterian Cemetery.

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To Committed to Jail for Court.

Justice Hunter disposed of two cases Monday night and in both instances the offenders were committed to jail for court.

Charles Felder was before the Justice, charged with jumping a board bill.

The prosecutor was Joseph Eck, who conducts a boarding house on East Front street. He claimed that Felder while working in this city some months ago boarded with him and when he left this city neglected to settle a board bill of \$8. Monday Felder returned and was arrested by Constable Young. He pleaded guilty to the charge and was sent to jail in default of \$100 bail.

Harvey Lamberson, charged by his wife with assault and battery, was given a hearing and was held under \$200 bail for court. Not being able to furnish the amount he was sent to jail.

Program for the Labor Day Picnic.

The big picnic to be held by the Continental Hose Company at DeWitt's park on Sept. 3, will be the only observance of Labor Day in this locality. The event promises to be a big and successful one, and the members of the organization are doing everything in their power to make it such.

The program for the day will open with a base ball game between the "77's" and the Continental team. The remainder of the program is as follows:

Shooting contest, for amateurs only; shooting contest, open for all; one-hundred yards dash, one-half mile run, bag race, potato race, barrel race, watermelon race. The bicycle races will consist of a half-mile boys' race, one mile free for all, and a two-mile handicap, free for all. Prizes will be given to the winners of all the events. Dancing will be held during the afternoon and evening.

Death of Mrs. Mary Williams.

Mrs. Mary J. Williams, widow of William Williams, died at her home, 218 Bloom street, Saturday afternoon, after an extended illness. Death was due to general debility.

The deceased was 75 years of age and for thirty years had resided in Danville. She is survived by one son, William G. Williams, of this city.

The funeral (private) was held on Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock. Interment was made in the Odd Fellows' cemetery.

A Surprise Party.

Miss Beulah Mills was tendered a surprise party by a number of friends at her home on East Front street Tuesday evening, in honor of her 18th birthday. Those present were: Misses Elia Snyder, Cornelia Prout, Anna Heim, Bertha VanGilder, Anna Woods, Gertrude Phillips, Jennie Knerr, Martha Stahlecker, Minnie Ephlin, Mabel Askin, Mary Smith; Messrs. Frank Montague, Walter Jones, David Thomas, William Fenstermacher, Mont Knerr, Arthur Sloop, Harry Camp, Grey Voris, and Jacob Werle.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Brief Mention of the Movement of Your Friends and Acquaintances.

Miss Sue Watts, of Millville, is visiting Mrs. Sarah Wintersteen, East Market street.

Mrs. Ella Pursell is visiting friends in Orangeville.

Calwaller Biddle, of Philadelphia, is spending a few days in this city. It will be remembered that while in this city last winter Mr. Biddle had the misfortune to fall, breaking one of his legs.

Mrs. Horace Bennett and son Hugh, and Mrs. Lillian Sharpless called on Milton friends yesterday.

Miss Lizzie Horton is visiting Milton friends.

Miss Emma Miller, of Williamsport, is a guest at the home of Mrs. James Cruikshank, Pine street.

Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Walker and son, of Wilkesbarre, are the guests of Mrs. Lewis Tittel, Mill street.

Archie Hummer left yesterday for Morris Plains, N. J., where he will finish the season with the base ball team of that city.

Mrs. J. R. Laferty, of Vineland, N. J., is visiting Mrs. William Wertman, on Bloom road.

Mrs. James R. Davis and daughter, May, of East Market street, have returned home after a pleasant visit with relatives in Pottsville.

Miss Sarah Vastine is visiting relatives in New Berlin.

Mrs. W. C. Davis and son Samuel, visited Dr. Edward Davis at Berwick yesterday.

Harry Limberger, who has been visiting his parents on West Mahoning street returned to West Chester yesterday.

The following out-of-town people attended the funeral of Mrs. Mary E. Patterson yesterday: Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Gilmore, Mrs. Samuel Youngman, Williamsport; Mr. and Mrs. James Vandener, Northumberland; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rentz, Muncy Station; Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Reice, Espy; Mrs. A. J. Evans, Mrs. Fritz and Miss Jennie Evans Bloomsburg; Mrs. Agnes Dyer and son, Miss Watson, Philadelphia; Mrs. George Gilmore, Linden; Archibald Patterson and daughter, Rohrsburg; Miss Patterson, Benton.

Miss Mary Thomas and Miss Elsie Stricker, of Catawissa, are guests at the home of Dr. C. H. Reynolds, on Mill street.

Miss Rebecca Tittle returned Saturday from a visit with friends in Williamsport.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Griffin and daughter Dorothy, of Philadelphia, are guests at the Wetzel homestead, corner of Church and Front streets.

Mrs. James Scott, and daughter, Miss Sallie, of Northumberland, and James Long, of Milton, were the guests over Sunday of Mrs. George Boudman, Bloom street.

S. V. Border, of the Williamsport Sun, spent Sunday at the home of T. J. Rogers, East Front street.

Mrs. William Mock returned to Scranton Saturday, after a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Tittle, on East Front street.

Charles Yerrick, of Philadelphia, is visiting his parents, on West Mahoning street.

Mrs. W. D. Niels and daughters, Hazel and Margaret, of Shamokin, are the guests of friends in this city.

Harry Rebmam, Esq., returned to Philadelphia Monday after a visit with his parents, on East Front street.

Horace Freeze, of Brooklyn, N. Y., is visiting his mother on Water street.

C. A. Seubert has returned from Lebanon, where he attended the funeral of his brother, the late Rev. Father Francis C. Seubert.

Samuel Davis, of Canyon City, Colo., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Davis, Mill street. This is his first visit to this city in ten years.

Mrs. W. E. Roney and three children, of Easton, are visiting friends in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Beverly W. Musselman are at Ocean Grove, N. J.

Miss Flora Corson, of Clifton Rocks, is the guest of Miss Annie Miles, on East Market street.

Mrs. William McCloud, of Sunbury, is visiting friends in this city.

Miss Lizzie Fischer and Miss May Horton are visiting friends in Milton.

Misses Emma and Anna Michel, of Pottsville, are guests at the home of John Goesser, Centre street.

Mrs. Della Meyers, of Williamsport, is visiting at the home of H. M. Trumbower, East Market street.

PUBLIC SCHOOL TUITION RAISED

Foreign Pupils Will Have to Pay More Next Year.

A regular meeting of the Borough School Board was held Monday night with the following members present: President Fisher, Black, Green, Berger, Werkheiser, Keefe, Linger, Festermacher, Barber, and Harpel.

The report of the treasurer showed a balance on hand of \$3,447.91. Dr. Barber reported that Mr. Henrie who was given the contract for painting three rooms in the Third ward building, refused to sign the contract, as he did not exactly understand how the work was to be done when he made his bid. E. E. Bittenbender, representing the Albastone Company, of Grand Rapids, Mich., appeared before the Board and showed samples of Alabastine and asked that the Board use it on the walls of the rooms in the Third ward building instead of paint. It was voted to purchase the material and have it put on the walls of one of the rooms and on the other two if the work can be accomplished before the opening of the school term.

The transfer committee reported a change in the prices of tuition, which was adopted. Heretofore foreign pupils in schools below the Grammar schools were charged 50 cents per month and Grammar school pupils \$1.00 per month. Under the new scale of prices foreign pupils in the First, Second and Third Primaries will be obliged to pay 75 cents per month, Grammar school pupils \$1.25 per month and High school pupils \$25 per year, the same price as formerly charge.

The resignations of Miss Mary Williams, supply teacher, and Miss M. C. Madden, substitute teacher, were accepted. Both ladies have secured permanent positions.

The bills were held over until the next regular meeting.

Rural Delivery for two Townships.

Some of the residents of Limestone and Liberty townships, this county, are soon to enjoy the benefits of free rural mail delivery.

Special Inspector Eisenhower, of the post office department recently made a trip over the proposed route which is to take in these townships, and expressed himself much pleased with it and said he would make a favorable report.

The route is as follows: From the Milton post office, out Broadway to Weidenhamer's, thence north through Paradise into Limestone township, Montour county, to the residence of Daniel Gaugler; thence south through Liberty township, to Billmeyer's Dam; thence west to Milton striking the Danville road at Lawson's farm. The route is twenty-two miles long. It established the mail will leave the Milton post office every morning at eight o'clock, excepting Sunday. It is thought the service will begin about September 1st.

Pennsylvania Methodists to Convene.

The convention of the Methodists of Pennsylvania will be held in Grace church, Harrisburg, Oct. 22 to 25. This will be the second convention of Methodists ever held in Pennsylvania, the first and only one ever held, being in 1870 in Philadelphia. Since that time the Methodist Church has shown a remarkable growth in the State as elsewhere. At the present time there are in Pennsylvania the whole or parts of fourteen Conferences, with 250 church organizations, 1200 ministers, 270,000 members representing a constituency of over 750,000 and with church property aggregating a good many million dollars.

Much Smoke Causes an Alarm.

Dense volumes of smoke issuing from a basement window of the Thomas Beaver Free Library, about 1 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, caused an alarm of fire, which brought nearly the whole fire department to the scene. Before any of the companies went into service it was found that the smoke came from a quantity of waste paper in the furnace, which someone had lighted. The chimney being stopped up, the smoke filled the basement and issued from the windows.

Married at Saint Paul's Parsonage.

At Saint Paul's M. E. parsonage on Saturday evening occurred the marriage of Miss Carrie Shelley, daughter of Mrs. William Pickins, Nassau street, and Jacob Seehler, the Rev. Dr. Dimmick officiating. A wedding dinner was given at the home of the bride on Sunday and the following friends were present: Mrs. Eva Cressy and daughter Emma, Miss Ida Seehler and George Hawkins.

Taking Care of Homeless People.

The Turbotville people who were rendered homeless by the big fire have been provided with temporary quarters in the homes of their more fortunate townsmen. Many whose dwellings and household goods were burned carried no insurance and are left penniless.

Captured an Opossum.

Edward Cornan captured a large opossum in the yard in the rear of his residence, at the corner of East Front and Pine streets, Monday morning. Mrs. Cornan first discovered the animal which was lying in a pile. She called her husband who captured it without difficulty.

Rev. Raver Will Speak.

The Rev. C. W. Raver will deliver the address at the G. A. R. picnic, Aug. 17. Positively no admittance fee will be charged at the park.

BIG PICNICS ARE NUMEROUS

One Held Yesterday and Another Booked for Tomorrow.

Large picnics at DeWitt's park are particularly numerous these days. One occurred yesterday, another will be held tomorrow and a third will take place on Tuesday.

The picnic of Montour Castle, No. 186 Knights of the Golden Eagle yesterday was a success in every way and was attended by nearly a thousand persons. The program of the day consisted of a base ball game between the "Eagles" and the "Buzzards," which was won by the former. The prize was a box of cigars. The other events resulted as follows:

One hundred yards dash (for boys) Harry Walker, prize, base ball bat.

Egg race, Fred Aten, prize, 25 cents.

Apple match, Frank Freeze, 25 cents.

Dancing was held during the afternoon and evening, music being furnished by Wallace's orchestra.