

JOHN ROCKEFELLED'S "JUST LIKE COMMON FOLKS" WHEN HE DROPS IN TO SEE AN OLD FRIEND.



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CHAGRIN FALLS, O., July 3.—"Land sakes! If 't ain't John Rockefeller! Sit down, John." Mrs. M. A. Beecher, 84, placed an armchair under a big shade tree in her farm yard for John D. Rockefeller, 73. "How are you, Mary? Well?" asked Rockefeller as he sat down beside her. "Yes, I'm feeling pretty well," she answered. "And how are you and Laura?" "Oh, just about the same." "Won't you have a drink John? It's pretty warm to-day." "Yes, please."

MRS. M. A. BEECHER AND JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER. water freshly drawn from the well beside the house. "I just want you to see my sweet peas, John," she said, as she rose and led the way to the fence where they made a bright border for the lawn. "They're prettier than for years." "They're beautiful," said John. Then they returned to their chairs and talked long of old times. And after a while the motor party—which included four young women brought out by Rockefeller for an unaccustomed ride—started back to Forest Hill. John D. waved his hand

as he turned the bend in the road, and the aged lady returned the salute. It wasn't the first time John D. had called on Mrs. Beecher. It was just his first call this year, since his return from Pocantico Hills to his summer home in Cleveland. The two have been friends for more than 40 years. One of John D.'s summer pleasures is motoring around the pleasant country roads and dropping in to see his old cronies. There are many men and women hereabouts who have heard, of course, that John D. is the richest man in the world, but who know him only as a simple, kindly old man, who doesn't have to work much any more.

BOYS CLEARED BUT MAY BE ARRESTED FOR JUVENILE TRIAL

Coroner and Prosecutor Endorse News-Times Suggestion That Parents Should be Held Responsible.

Coroner Swantz returned the verdict of accidental death Thursday in the case of Alfred Winther, the little four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Winther, 672 Laporte av., who was killed by a bullet discharged from a 22 calibre rifle while held in the hands of Ernest Reynolds. Reynolds and Howard Pittman, his companion, told practically the same story over and over again and all the evidence of the inquest tended to show that the shooting was not intentional. "It is a sad case," said Dr. Swantz, after rendering his verdict, "and I feel deeply the keen regret and anguish of all concerned, especially the bereaved father and mother. I think, however, that the editorials in the evening and morning papers hit the nail squarely on the head. "The boys are not to be blamed. They are too young to realize the danger of carrying firearms. There is no statute or act that can hold such extreme youth culpable when a gun is discharged without intent. Yet the fault lies somewhere. There ought to be some way of protecting innocent lives. It should be made a criminal act to place firearms in the reach of children. "It has been a common practice to allow children the use of firearms in the belief that it affords them good training. It is too dangerous and should be stopped by statute or ordinance. Parents who allow their children the use of dangerous weapons should profit by the experience of the parents of these boys who feel keenly this tragedy." "May Be Arrested." It is probable that affidavits will be filed by the city attorney's office charging the Reynolds and Pittman boys with violating the ordinance against shooting in the city limits. Prosecutor Montgomery explained that the case is out of his jurisdiction since, if the shooting was accidental, there is no state law under which the boys could be punished. The matter was accordingly turned over to City Atty. Romig. The case may be heard in the juvenile court. "I am satisfied that the shooting was accidental," said Montgomery Thursday. "We couldn't hold the boys for manslaughter. I think, however, that some action should be taken in such cases in view of the many complaints, especially from the west end, regarding frequent shooting." Even the parents of the dead child are said not to be in favor of prosecuting the boys. The prosecutor, however, agreed with the News-Times editorial to the effect that there should be a law enjoining parents to keep firearms away from children. Under an act of the last legislature 000 Jews in Roumania.

Miss Tobin Gives Her Impressions of Picnic

BY MARGARET TOBIN. Wednesday was a great day for Plymouth. When the special train carrying the Ellsworth store picnic party delivered its freight of laughing, shrieking, romping girls and boys—they were all girls and boys for the time being—the whole populace was assembled on porches and street corners, waiting in pleased anticipation to welcome their triumphal entrance. The demonstration fully realized their expectations. It was as good as a Fourth of July celebration, county fair, and political rally, rolled into one. The parade was in constant review from the station to the fair grounds. Little boys followed it on foot and on bicycles and it left a trail of fluttering excitement and comment in its wake. Banners "God! Them. Ellsworth banners were distributed by a lavish hand along the way. The little pennants were the touch of nature that won the townsfolk and took them into the fun. The boys fastened them on their bicycles. They were used to decorate horses and vehicles. And the women, after carefully reading the inscription thereon, tacked them up on their porches. A thought and of the little white banners fluttered in the breeze. It was surely Ellsworth day in Plymouth. They reserved their comment until the parade had passed when they had a great deal to say. They all agreed that the girls were pretty, most of them. They thought it a shame that a town so large as South Bend should provide no proper place to hold a picnic. They approved of the wisdom that had selected the Plymouth fair grounds, there could be no better choice, they were sure. It stimulated the imagination of one man to hope great things for Plymouth. "Look there," said he to his neighbor, "all them people came clear from South Bend to have a picnic in our park. Just see what an advertisement that is for Plymouth. I guess said that if we'd spend a couple of thousand dollars on that park we'd have crowds a comin' in here every week." And his neighbor agreed with every word he said. This is enterprise stimulated. The First Visitor. Just as the party had begun on the dinner the village—excuse me, Plymouth, I meant the local humorist—appeared and introduced himself as the master of ceremonies. As is always the luck of wit he was seated at their right hand and invited to help himself. Between his sallies he established the relationship between the Ellsworth store and Plymouth. W. K. Lamport, the advertising manager, of course he knew him. Knew Bill since he was a little snaver. He was proud to know he had grown up to be the first aid to the commander-in-chief of an enterprise like that. And there were the Smith girls, they grew up near him, right down there by Pretty lake. He knew them well before they went to the city to make their careers in the industrial world. And the Jones girl, her grandmother lived just down the street from him, about two blocks. Popular With Girls. The wag was a fat man who had found it expedient not to abandon suspenders, but that did not interfere with his popularity. The girls showered attentions on him, a half dozen hanging on each arm. They decorated him with the colors of their respective ball teams and it was only by a stratagem that he made his escape from them and went down town to spread the report of the "doins" on the hill. During the afternoon the neighbors came in bunches of twos and threes to observe and comment. Even the cows came up for a look. Many of them—not the cows, of course—stayed to visit and to compliment the party on its foresight in coming to Plymouth. Those who were there at supper time stayed. Even the draymen, come to haul away the paraphernalia, were honored guests. The townsfolk had considered the parade in the morning interesting; The "glow worm" parade in the evening was a brilliant, dazzling demonstration, the like of which they had never dreamed. As it took its vivid, undulating way down the principal streets, headed by the Plymouth band the entire population gathered to see. "Come to Say Good Bye." "It's bigger than the Fourth of July, ain't it?" shouted one woman to her neighbor across the street. "I should say," she shouted back. The crowd closed in behind the parade and followed it about. They assembled en masse at the station to wave good bye. The band played "Home, Sweet Home," and "Auld Lang Syne" by way of regret and invitation. The shout that went up when the train pulled out was cordial and full of good-will. Yes, it was a great day for Plymouth.

NEW CARLSLE. A social and business meeting of the Ellsworth league was held at the home of Rev. and Mrs. F. C. Sager, Tuesday evening. Henry Carr who suffered a fracture of the hip several weeks ago is in a very critical condition. Mr. and Mrs. John Miles and children of Decatur, Ill., are guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Miles. Mrs. J. C. Davis has been called to Delaware, Iowa, by the illness of his father, James Ball. Mrs. Edith Compton has gone to Elmira, New York, to remain indefinitely. The annual reunion of the Stinchcomb family was held at Hudson lake, Wednesday. Harold Service of Mishawaka spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Harris. Mrs. James Carothers and daughter, South Bend are spending the week with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Smith. Miss Evelyn Blomgren is visiting relatives at Warsaw, Ind. LONDON.—Miss Gyneth Bebb, a would-be barrister, has failed in her action against the Law society and there will be no women lawyers in Great Britain, at least for the present. NEW YORK.—Vincent Astor will serve on the American Roumanian Jewish emancipation committee which has as its object the relieving of 250,000 Jews in Roumania.

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