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MANGLE KILLS BOY IN LAUNDRY BLAST

Thursday, April 28 an explosion in a steam mangle being used for ironing clothes in the laundry of the Springfield state hospital, Sykesville, caused the death of John Ernest Wilhelm, Jr., aged 17, and resulted in injuries to two other employes in the room. The blast did much damage to the building and machinery. Most of the employes were absent not yet having returned from their lunch hour. Had the entire force been stationed at their regular places, it is feared the loss of life might have been greater.

Wilhelm, it is said, was preparing to use the steam ironer when the explosion occurred. The end of the mangle, weighing more than 200 pounds, was hurled across the room, falling upon the youth and crushing him to death. He died instantly from severe lacerations of the abdomen. The other two men in the room were not seriously injured.

No reason has been assigned for the explosion of the mangle which had been used for a long time, it is reported. Upon receiving notification, State's Attorney Theodore F. Brown and Coroner R. E. Lee Hutchins, this city, went to the scene of the accident and made a thorough investigation. They deemed an inquest unnecessary.

The dead youth was the son of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Wilhelm, Sr., residing near Sykesville. Besides his parents he is survived by a brother Charles, at home.

The funeral took place Saturday with services at 2 P. M. in St. Paul's M. E. church, Sykesville. Rev. W. C. Main officiated. Burial was made in the Springfield cemetery.

COUNTY W. C. T. U. MEETING

Although weather conditions were unfavorable for the county W. C. T. U. meeting in the Methodist Protestant church last Wednesday, all but three of the Unions, Sykesville Union Bridge, and Hampstead were well represented. The County President presided and opened the meeting with the song, "America The Beautiful." After prayer the 146 Psalm was repeated in concert. This is the Crusade Psalm and is familiar to all white ribbon women. Mrs. Fenby told in a very interesting way why this particular psalm was chosen as a foundation rock for the women of the crusade. Rev. Maltbie Babcock's beautiful hymn "This Is My Father's World" was then read in concert. An interesting business session followed. In the absence of the State President, who was unavoidablly absent, Rev. Charles Elderdice, pastor of the M. P. church, addressed the meeting. The key note of the address was to carry on the educational work begun years ago. The rising generation who will very soon be in charge of the affairs of the nation will only know by education the evils of alcohol and the open saloon. Plans were made for the county convention to be held in Westminster in the late summer. Westminster Union sent $20.00 to the Red Cross for the flood sufferers. $30.00 in all was contributed by this union.

ORATORICAL CONTEST

An event of state-wide interest in college circles will take place at Western Maryland College, Friday evening, May 6th.

The Oratorical Association of Maryland Colleges will come in turn this year to Western Maryland College for its competition. The occasion will be of special interest to Westminster people because Mr. Carroll A. Royer who has been very successful in his debating career during his college course will represent Western Maryland.

In the 28 years that this Oratorical Association has existed Western Maryland has won first honors 15 times and second honors 9 times, and she has every reason to hope that victory may come to her again this year.

There will be no charge for admission to Alumni Hall at this contest and the program will begin at 8:00 o'clock.

Tonight at 8:00 P. M. the declamation and music contest of the smaller high schools of the county will take place in the Westminster high school building. Pleasant Valley, Winfield and Mechanicsville are the schools to compete.

SEMINARY COMMENCEMENT

The exercises of the forty-fourth commencement of the Westminster Theological Seminary began on Sunday, May 1, with the Baccalaureate sermon which was preached by president Elderdice in the Methodist Protestant church. Dr. Elderdice used as his text Matthew 28: 19, 20, his subject being "The Greatest Commencement Address." He spoke of the peculiar challenge to disciples long ago to win the world not by force and the sword, but by preaching. He then pictured the modern difficulties in the spread of the Gospel because of the failure of Christians and Christian nations to rightly interpret the gospel message, pointing particularly to the present Chinese situation.

On Sunday night in the Methodist Protestant church the annual alumni sermon was preached by Rev. Gideon I. Humphreys, D. D., of Salisbury, Maryland, a member of the class of 1904.

In the Seminary chapel on Monday night a program of readings and singing, "An Evening with the Circuit Rider" was presented by the Junior class of the Seminary. The readings brought back stirring scenes in the pioneer days of Methodism. Several old songs such as "Amazing Grace," "Palms of Victory," and "When I Can Read My Title Clear," were sung by the Seminary students. The readings were prepared by Miss Dorothy Elderdice and the hymns were arranged and directed by Dr. C. E. Forlines.

The annual meeting of the Board of Governors was held in the Seminary Chapel at 10:00 A. M. Tuesday and the annual dinner to the board was given in the College Tea Room, at 1:00 oclock.

The graduating exercises were held in the Methodist Protestant church at 8:00 P. M. on Tuesday. The address to the graduating class was delivered by Professor Thomas C. Miller, former State Superintendent of Education in West Virginia and until recently president of Shepherd's College. The charge to the graduating class was delivered by Rev. Frank Stephenson, D. D. secretary of the Board of Education of the Methodist Protestant church. The following graduates were given the diploma of the Seminary: Stephen Galley, Harry G. Hager, Dennis George Raynor, Earl William Slayton, Dorsey King Sturgis, George Ernest Wunder. The following were given diploma and degree Bachelor of Sacred Theology: Hugh Carroll Burkins, Jesse Potter Dawson, Jr., Herbert Eugene Hudgins, William Cornelius Wachter. The degree of Doctor of Sacred Theology was conferred upon Paul Otterbein Shettel.

CITY ELECTION

Monday an election for members of the Common Council of Westminster to serve two years beginning Monday, May 16th., was held in the Firemen's building between 12 M. and 6 P. M.

The ticket as nominated by a town meeting, consisting of Frank T. Shaeffer, Charles W. Klee, and Joseph L. Mathias, was elected without opposition. Shaeffer received 137 votes, and Klee and Mathias each 138 votes.

FIRE PLUGS MADE UNIFORM

The fire plugs in this city have had all threads made uniform. The plugs were purchased by The Consolidated Public Utilities Company, and its predecessors, from different manufacturers and a variety of threads was collected. This, at times, made it a little difficult for the firemen to properly fit their fire hose quickly. Realizing the condition the Consolidated Public Utilities Company very promptly proceeded to rectify it. All plugs which have been made standard have been painted red.

STOLEN SEDAN RECOVERED

The Buick sedan belonging to Carroll L. Crawford, this city was stolen on Tuesday evening while Mr. Crawford with the other members of the Rotary Club were attending the Music Week program at Western Maryland College. The car had been parked in College avenue prior to going to Alumni Hall for the evening's entertainment. After the program when Mr. Crawford returned to where he had parked the car, it was missing. After reporting the theft to the police, the car was found later that evening in the rear of the gymnasium building at the college. It appears the car was not driven far as the supply of gasoline was not exhausted.

W. H. S. WINS MUSIC CONTEST

Friday evening last the Fifth Annual High School Eisteddfod of the schools of this county was held in Alumni Hall of Western Maryland College. The hall was literally packed with students, parents, and friends, and all of the participants acquitted themselves very creditably.

Those in charge of this Eisteddfod were greatly honored to have Mr. Frederick R. Huber, Municipal Director of music, Baltimore, as adjudicator. He is one of the prominent musical directors in the United States and the most noted judge for these music competitions. He commended those in charge and said that they were doing the essential thing for an Art Community by starting with the children.

The directors of the choruses were Miss Broadwater for Taneytown and Union Bridge; Miss Ward, Sykesville and Mount Airy; Miss Clara Reinecke for Charles Carroll, Winfield, Mechanicsville and Pleasant Valley; Miss Harshberger for New Windsor; Mrs. Olive E. Earhart for Manchester and Hampstead; Mrs. Helen Casner for Westminster. The instrumental director was Prof. Phillip Royer and in general charge of the contest was Mrs. A. Earl Shipley.

The grand chorus, "Hail Bright Abode" from "Tannhauser," Richard Wagner, directed by Mrs. Shipley, was easily the fature of the Eisteddfod. It was the combined Carroll county chorus, accompanied by a selected group of the Carroll county orchestra. Both chorus and orchestra parts were prepared in the various schools. The number was presented for the first time without rehearsal by the entire group. The chorus was excellently done as well as spectacular.

Superintendent of schools of Carroll county, Maurice S. H. Unger announced the winners. In the finals first place went to Westminster with 431 points and second place to Taneytown with 395 points.

CHARITY LODGE NEWS

Charity Lodge No. 58 will confer the rank of Page upon a class of candidates on Tuesday night, May 10. Some of these candidates will be brought here from Prosperity Lodge, New Windsor.

All Pythians of the county are invited to attend and enjoy an evening of work and entertainment.

Preceding the Lodge meeting, at 7:15 P. M. a parade will form in front of the State Armory, Longwell avenue. Leaving there at 7:30 P. M. they will parade to Main street, turning east and proceed to the Castle Hall.

Hon. George E. Matthews, Mayor of Westminster will head the parade followed by the lodge banners and colors; the Uniformed Rank Drum Corps, the Uniform Rank colors, the Westminster Company Uniformed Rank No. 16, the candidates and guards, Prosperity Lodge of New Windsor, Md., and members of Charity lodge.

The newly elected Grand Chancellor Tawes will be present accompanied by other Grand Lodge officers.

AN APPEAL TO THE CITIZENS OF WESTMINSTER AND VICINITY

The women's organizations of the town are soliciting clothing of every kind and size for the sufferers of the great Mississippi flood. No disaster that has ever come to this country has made as many people homeless, and without clothing as this terrible flood. Company H has given the use of the Armory, Thursday and Friday, May 12th and 13th for receiving and packing clothing from this community. The Salvation Army who is already on the job, will send a truck to Westminster Friday, May 13th and the clothing will go at once, without cost or delay, to the camps to these destitute people. Surely this is an appeal within the reach of all. We cannot all send money, but we do not believe there is a person living in this prosperous, specially favored community who cannot send some article of clothing that can be used by one of these thousands of destitute persons. Send all contributions to the Armory. There will be women there to receive them. Should there be any one who cannot send their gift it will be called for, if one of the committee is notified.

Mrs. D. F. Shipley,
Mrs. Frank Sidwell,
Miss Fannie Thompson,
Mrs. Wm. R. McDaniel,
Committee.

OBITUARY

WILLIAM B. GOSNELL

William B. Gosnell, husband of Emily J. Gosnell died Thursday, May 5, 1927 at Woodbine, this county.

To-morrow at 2:30 P. M. funeral services will be held at Morgan Chapel M. E. church and interment will be made in the adjoining cemetery.

MRS. BENJAMIN F. GUMMEL

Mrs. Mary Gummel, wife of Benjamin F. Gummel, near Manchester, died Thursday, May 5, 1927 after a lingering illness. She was 64 years of age. Besides her husband she leaves a son Halty Gummel and two brothers: Samuel Smith, Manchester, and Christian Smith, Hanover. The funeral will take place tomorrow meeting at the house at 10 A. M. with further services and interment at Snyder's church.

MRS. REBECCA A. ENGLAR

The funeral services of Mrs. Rebecca Anne Englar, who died Friday, April 29, 1927 at the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. C. Cross, Philadelphia, were held from the funeral parlors of Harvey Bankard, East Main street, this city, on Sunday at 2:30 P. M. Elder Walter Englar was in charge of the services. Mrs. Englar was the daughter of the late Ezra Stoner, Union Bridge and is survived by two daughters and one son, Mrs. C. C. Cross, Mrs. Walter Stouffer and Edward Englar; also a number of relatives in this county. Nephews of the deceased who acted as pallbearers were Isaac Stoner, Dewey Stoner, Ira Englar, Harry Englar, Paul Englar and Clement Reese. Interment was made in Pipe Creek cemetery.

Harvey Bankard funeral director.

MRS. JOSEPH E. LEPPO

Mrs. Anna Mary Leppo died suddenly Saturday, April 30, 1927 at her home near Patapsco. She was the daughter of the late John J. Neudecker and was aged 70 years, 7 months and 15 days. She is survived by her husband Joseph E. Leppo and five children: John E., Baltimore; Elizabeth C., at home; Edward J., Patapsco; Mrs. Anna L. Mann and Mrs. Carrie B. Mann, Bethel Heights. A sister Mrs. Lena B. Leister, Hampstead and two brothers, James and Jacob Neudecker, this city, also survive. Funeral services were held in the Church of God, Carrollton, Tuesday at 2:00 P. M. Rev. R. S. Patterson, pastor of Salem Lutheran charge officiating, assisted by Rev. Mr. Masemore, pastor at Carrollton. Interment was made in the adjoining cemetery.

Harvey Bankard funeral director.

MRS. MARY LYNCH

Mrs. Mary Lynch, widow of the late John T. Lynch, died Friday, April 29, 1927 at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Harvey Arnold, 3832 Park Heights avenue, Baltimore. Mrs. Lynch had been a former resident of this city when her husband was sheriff of Carroll county. She leaves two daughters and one son as follows: Mrs. Harvey Arnold and Mrs. John Shriver, Baltimore, and James E. Lynch, Erie, Pa. Mr. Gloyd Lynch, East Main street, is a nephew.

Monday at 10:00 A. M. funeral services were held in St. John's Catholic church, this city, with Rev. Monohan officiating and interment was made in the adjoining cemetery. TThe pallbearers were C. Gloyd Lynch, Bernard Lynch, Thomas Lynch, John Lynch, Edward Lynch and Joseph L. Mathias.

Harvey Bankard funeral director.

MRS. C. ROSCOE KISER

Mrs. Isabelle M. Kiser, wife of C. Roscoe Kiser, near Keysville, died Thursday, April 28, 1927 in the Frederick City hospital She was aged 21 years, one month and one day. She was a daughter of Edward and Carrie McGlaughlin, near Emmitsburg. Besides her parents and husband she leaves a newborn daughter, Anna May; two brothers, Howard McGlaughlin, Motter's station, and John McGlaughlin, at home; and two sisters, Mrs. Norville Eckert, near Taneytown, and Miss Margaret McGlaughlin, at home. Monday the funeral was held from the home of her father-in-law, James Kiser, near Keysville, with further services in the Keysville Lutheran church. Rev. P. H. Williams, assisted by Rev. W. V. Garrett, pastor of Trinity Lutheran church, Taneytown officiated. Burial was made in the Keysville cemetery.

WEDDINGS

MYERS—THERIT

Thomas Byerly Myers, Hampstead, and Miss Emma Romaine Therit, also of Hampstead, were married Monday by Rev. William L. Seabrook, pastor of Trinity Lutheran church, Deer Park road, at his office, on Court street, this city. The ring ceremony of the Lutheran church was used. The bride is a granddaughter of the late George Therit, who was well known in this county.

SCHWEIGART—MATHIAS

Mrs. Lottie Mathias and John Schweigart, both of near this city, were married Wednesday morning in the Salem Lutheran parsonage, Pennsylvania avenue, by the pastor, Rev. R. S. Patterson. They were unattended. Mr. and Mrs. Schweigart are both active members of St. Benjamin's Lutheran church. Mr. Schweigart is assistant treasurer of the church and a leader in musical activities. They will reside at Mount Pleasant where the bridegroom is engaged in the grocery and butcher business.

YINGLING—DULL

Miss Gladys May Virginia Dull, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Dull, Warfieldsburg, this county, became the bride of David Weldon Yingling, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. David E. Yingling, Jasontown, Saturday evening at 6 o'clock in the Uniontown parsonage. The ceremony was performed by Rev. John H. Hoch, pastor of the Bethel Church of God, Wakefield. The bride was becomingly attired in a rose crepe gown with hat and coat to match. They will reside for the present with Mr. Yingling's parents.

KREBS—MILLER

Miss Fern H. Miller, daughter of John K. Miller, Millers, this county, and Leroy Krebs, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Krebs, near Middletown, were united in marriage at the home of the groom's parents on Saturday evening, April 30, at 8 o'clock. The ring ceremony was used and was performed by the Rev. H. Fehl, pastor of the bridegroom. The bride wore a dress of white flat crepe. Only the immediate families of the contracting parties were present which included the following: Mr. and Mrs. Joseph F. Alban, Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Krebs, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Stiffler, Mr. and Mrs. Zeberry C. Masemore, Rev. and Mrs. H. L. Fehl, John K. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Luther S. Wentz, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Miller, Misses Helen and Grace Krebs, Gertrude Stiffler, Gladys Masemore, Virginia Fehl Joanna Helwig, Marie Wentz, Milton Miller, Melvin Miller, Claude Krebs, Donald Stiffler, John Masemore, Harry L. Fehl, Jr., and Prof. J. A. Fowler. A reception followed the wedding at the home of the bridegroom's parents. The bride was the recipient of a number of handsome and useful presents.

The revival services which have been in progress at the First Church of God for the past two weeks closed Sunday night. Great interest has been manifested. Rev. S. B. Craft, Canton, Ohio, gave messages on Church of God fundamentals, which were enjoyed and appreciated. Rev. Mr. Craft is well known here in Maryland, having served the Carrollton and Uniontown circuits.

ALBERTA V. HANN

Alberta V. Hann, widow of John T. Hann, died Tuesday, May 3, 1927.

This morning at 11 A. M. the funeral was held from the residence of her daughter, Mrs. W. A. Smith, Mayfield, Anne Arundel county, and interment was made in the Westminster cemetery.

MRS. JULIA A. STONESIFER

Mrs. Julia Anne Stonesifer died Sunday, May 1, 1927 at the home of James Dickensheets, near Krider's church, aged 75 years, 8 months and 17 days. She was the widow of Noah Stonesifer and the daughter of the late Frederick W. and Sarah Dickensheets, and is survived by two brothers James Dickensheets and Daniel Dickensheets. Funeral services were held in St. Benjamin's Reformed church on Wednesday at 2:00 P. M. Rev. J. N. Garner, pastor of St. Paul's Reformed church, this city, officiating, assisted by Rev. R. S. Patterson, pastor of Salem Lutheran charge. Interment was made in the adjoining cemetery.

Harvey Bankard funeral director.

MUSIC WEEK IN THIS CITY

Beginning Monday evening and continuing each evening until Thursday evening Alumni Hall at Western Maryland College was filled with audiences that thoroughly enjoyed the music furnished by the various groups consisting of public school pupils, ensembles of community singers, church choirs, and music pupils generally.

The meetings were all sponsored by the Woman's Literary Club of Westminster, and as Mrs. J. Pearre Wantz, stated the first evening, it was the third music week for this city, and was being conducted without one cent of cost to the community.

Monday evening Mrs. Helen Casner, music teacher of the Westminster high school, was in charge, and she has every reason to feel proud of the pupils, all of whom acquitted themselves splendidly. Lack of space prevents the Sentinel from giving the programs of the different evenings.

Tuesday evening was a community event and was opened with a selection by the Westminster band of thirty pieces. With Albert Mitten at the piano Harry M. Kimmey acting as song leader, lead the singing of a number of familiar selections. The Western Maryland College Quartett sang several delightful selections.

Wednesday evening the choirs of the Protestant churches of Westminster entertained and inspired a very large audience.

Last evening a large number of students of music furnished an evening of delightful music. The instructors in both vocal and instrumental music need not be ashamed of their pupils, all of whom showed the result of patient and intelligent efforts of their teachers.

The Sentinel congratulates all who participated in the week's entertainment. General Sherman said if he had the making of the songs of a nation he cared not who made the laws.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS

Yesterday Mr. B. F. Gorsuch, of Glyndon, was a visitor in this city.

Mrs. Mary Diffendal is ill with heart trouble at her home on Liberty street.

Sunday morning an offering will be taken in St. Paul's Reformed church, this city, for the Mississippi river flood relief fund.

Mrs. Samuel Richard, this city, is spending some time at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. F. Heltibridle, Northern Carroll.

The Westminster firemen shortly will begin the erection of a large addition to their present building. The additional space will provide a community room, business offices, dance hall &c.

The Westminster branch of the woman's auxiliary of the Rosewood Training School will give a card party on Wednesday, May 18 at 2:30 P. M. in the armory. Tables will be $2.00 and we hope everyone will patronize the benefit.

Margaret Staub, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Staub, Pennsylvania avenue, who was injured a week ago when a truck skidded and ran into her, near Finksburg, while she was on her way to school, is reported to be improving.

The F. W. Woolworth Company has leased the first floor of the Davis Building, this city, for a period of twenty years beginning July 1st. Mr. Davis will move his automobile business to his former John street location, and the Wear-Well Pants Co., now in the Davis Building, will have the use of much more additional space.

Nahia Arter, a well known farmer residing about two miles from Silver Run, met with a serious accident on Saturday morning. While in the act of repairing a chopping machine for some unknown reason the burr in the machine revolved and caught Mr. Arter's right hand in the chopper mutilating the thumb and lacerating the hand. The wound required a number of stitches to close. He was hurriedly taken to the office of a physican who rendered the necessary surgical attention.

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