

LOOKING BACK

100 Years Ago From The Pages of The Walton Reporter - Saturday, June 14, 1924

THE WEEK IN WALTON

What We Are Talking About at the County Hub

MARRIED IN CALIFORNIA

Autos at Auction—Raiding Booze Suspects—Franklin Starts Connecting Road.

Corporal J. J. Warner of the state police has been promoted to the rank of sergeant.

At a meeting of the town board Friday evening William P. Hall was appointed a constable to fill the vacancy caused by the removal of Harold Miller from town.

Black bass may be taken on and after June 16 in this state. No bass under 10 inches may be kept and the limit per person is twelve in a day. The season for bull frogs also opens on the 16th.

Street Commissioner J. A. Robinson has been working on the Stockton avenue road for the past week. The stretch of road from the armory to Sewell place, which is virtually a morass in spring has been filled in with gravel.

Misses Mary Charles and Ida Friedlander were the winners of the spelling contest for the district of Hamden, Delhi and Walton in Hamden Friday and will represent this district at the elimination contest to be held at Delhi Saturday.

J. Ward Palmer is building a gas and service station on the river road just across the Marvin hollow bridge. At present a pipe line is being laid from the stone quarry switch to the site of the service station so that tank cars may be unloaded more conveniently.

George Snyder, who is employed by W. H. Austin, had his right arm painfully scalded this week. The engine of his truck became overheated and when he unscrewed the radiator cap he was struck by a stream of boiling water. Dr. C. S. Gould dressed the injury.

The Walton high school baseball team was defeated at Hancock Saturday by the Hancock high school team. The score was 6-4. Lafrano pitched the first seven innings and J. O. Whitaker finished the game for the Walton boys. Three of Walton's best players were unable to play in this game.

Mrs. Ida Edwards has traded her farm on Palmer hill to Mrs. Mary Van Loan for her house and lot on Mead street. The trade was made through the agency of C. G. Robinson. Possession given at once. Mrs. Edwards will move into her house on Mead street where she will conduct a restaurant.

Work has been started by the town of Franklin on the construction of a macadam road from the Walton town line toward the village of Franklin. It is expected that this year the road will be built to the top of the hill above Plymouth church and next year construction will be started at Franklin village end of the road.

Dr. W. R. Gladstone of Walton and Miss Mildred Mathewson of Pasadena, Cal., former public health nurse in Walton, were married at the bride's home in Pasadena, Cal., Monday afternoon at 4:30. Dr. and Mrs. Gladstone will return to Walton about July 10 and will reside at Dr. Gladstone's house on Townsend street.

The part the church plays in the Walton community is illustrated by the return on the Red Cross canvass. \$740 was collected. Of this amount the givers of \$6.50 designated various benevolent orders as the recipients of the credit for the gift, \$36.50 was unclassified and the remainder,

GRADUATING CLASS LARGEST IN HISTORY

Forty-Seven to Receive Diplomas Commencement Day, June 25

The 1924 graduating class of Walton high school is the largest in the history of the institution, numbering at the present time forty-seven members. There is a possibility of eight more, who, carrying enough work for graduation, but without the 54 counts required for membership in the class, are dependent upon final regents examinations.

The graduation exercises will begin Sunday evening, June 22, when Rev. Stanley U. North, who has been chosen by the class, will deliver the anniversary sermon for its baccalaureate service.

Music for the service is to be furnished by the high school glee club of 60 voices, which will lead in the congregational singing and also will render two anthems, "The

Heavens Resound," by Beethoven, and, "Send Out Thy Light," by Gounod.

The graduation exercises for the training class will take place in the high school auditorium on Monday evening at 8 p. m.

Class night exercises take place Tuesday night, June 24. Commencement, which witnesses graduation and the awarding of diplomas, comes Wednesday evening, June 25. The annual Alumni association reunion occurs Thursday, June 26, in the high school auditorium, hour to be announced later. All other exercises are at Walton hall.

The music and glee club were under the direction of H. Francis Miles. The class night exercises directed by Miss Janie Launt, and the commencement speakers in charge of Miss Pedley and Miss Strohmeier, all members of the high school faculty.

ed as vice president, however, Mr. Drake will be unable to attend and some other speaker will have to be selected. After Mr. Drake's address the public are invited to Walton hall where an address of welcome will be given by Mayor Courtney to the visitors and responses will be made by Senator Seabury Mastick of New York city and Mrs. Milo Acker of Hornell. The program throughout promises to be one of great interest and many from other parts of the county have signified their intention of coming to Walton on Saturday. Men and women of national reputation are expected to be present at the unveiling ceremonies as the reunion of the old students of Leland Stanford and California universities with other universities co-operating will be held on the same day.

Three federal prohibition agents accompanied by state troopers conducted several raids Wednesday on places suspected of selling liquor in Walton. At the Riverview hotel a quantity of alleged intoxicating liquor was found in a trunk. Charles Zink, one of the proprietors of the hotel, was arrested and taken before Commissioner John G. More, who held him in \$1,000 bail for illegal possession of liquor. The bail was furnished by Flessau, and hearing of the case was set for June 20th.

Automobiles, which only a few years ago were only owned by a few are now so common that to clear the market of surplus stocks the Walton automobile dealers have combined in, holding an auction of new and used automobiles at the village parking place, near Coulter's garage, Saturday morning at 10 o'clock. A large attendance and spirited bidding is expected. This is the second sale of the kind to be held in Walton, the one last year resulting satisfactorily and encouraged the dealers to stage one this year.

At a meeting of those who have subscribed for stock in the stock company being organized to continue the Walton fair it was voted unanimously that the debt of the old Delaware Valley Agricultural society, amounting to about \$2,800 be taken up. The greater part of this will be paid for in stock of the new association. In return for this the old society will allow the use of their charter and name. A committee was appointed to see those who have subscribed to stock and secure their approval of assuming the old debt.

UNVEIL TABLET IN HONOR OF FOUNDERS

Ceremony to Take Place on Library Lawn Saturday, June 21

Almost 139 years ago a little party of pioneers first came to Walton, cleared the land and built houses. On Saturday, June 21st, a memorial tablet will be unveiled on the library lawn, Walton, in memory of the men and women who were in this party.

A brief program but one of great interest has been arranged. Little boys and girls, descendants of the five first settlers, Platt Townsend, Joshua Pine, Robert North, Gabriel North and William Furman, are to unveil the tablet. The little girls will be dressed in colonial costumes and the boys will be clothed to represent Robin Hood.

After the unveiling a large number of Walton children will give a floral dance which will be followed by an address by Walter Drake, assistant secretary of the interior. In case Herbert Hoover is nominat-

ed as vice president, however, Mr. Drake will be unable to attend and some other speaker will have to be selected. After Mr. Drake's address the public are invited to Walton hall where an address of welcome will be given by Mayor Courtney to the visitors and responses will be made by Senator Seabury Mastick of New York city and Mrs. Milo Acker of Hornell. The program throughout promises to be one of great interest and many from other parts of the county have signified their intention of coming to Walton on Saturday. Men and women of national reputation are expected to be present at the unveiling ceremonies as the reunion of the old students of Leland Stanford and California universities with other universities co-operating will be held on the same day.

FELL DOWN AIR SHAFT

Stamford Woman a Prisoner for Hour and Half.

One day last week while Mrs. Henry Hayner, residing on the Loomis place, below Stamford village, was cleaning house she removed the cover from the cold air shaft of the furnace and later fell into the opening. She was alone in the house at the time and was unable to extricate herself. About an hour and a half after the accident Dr. Safford called at the Hayner residence on an errand and receiving no response to his ring of the door bell and hearing calls from within he entered the house and found Mrs. Hayner in the shaft. The doctor obtained a small ladder and a rope and extricated Mrs. Hayner from her cramped position. She was quite badly bruised from the fall and confinement in the close quarters and has to go about on crutches.

MRS. GLEASON DIES

Respected Delhi Resident Passes Away at Age of 90.

(From Delhi correspondent.) Caroline Blanchard Gleason, widow of the late Judge William Gleason, one of Delhi's noted lawyers, who died May 9th, 1894, passed away at her home in this village early this morning. For the past year Mrs. Gleason has been in declining health and gradually became weaker until the end. Death was due to the infirmities of age.

Mrs. Gleason celebrated her 90th birthday on April 9th at which time she received remembrances, gifts and calls from a host of friends. Mrs. Gleason was one of four children born to John Blanchard of the town of Meredith, who came to Delhi and for many years was a leading merchant and citizen of the village.

Mrs. Gleason was truly a remarkable woman, of pleasing personality and gifted to a rare degree with the faculty of making friends. Her interest in her friends, in local hap-

penings and in world events did not wane with increasing age and she was delightfully companionable to both young and old.

As her family have always been interested in politics and much in the public service, we doubt if they object, when we say she was an aristocratic, dignified and cultured woman of the old school and yet "a good mixer" in a good way.

Mrs. Gleason had been an active member of the Second Presbyterian church for 71 years and always had a live interest in all its functions. She had a great pride in her home village and vicinity and all its civic affairs. She was loved by all the people of her home village and vicinity, rich and poor, young and old.

She leaves to mourn her loss three sons, John B., a lawyer of New York city; Wallace B., living in Delhi, and Colonel Lafayette B. Gleason of New York, who is now at Cleveland as secretary of the Republican national convention. There are three grandchildren, Louise Gleason, supreme court law librarian for Delaware county; Gordon Gleason of New-York, and Mrs. "Mildred Escher, who resides in New York or vicinity. There are also two great grandchildren. One grandson, Donald W. Gleason, son of Wallace Gleason of Delhi, lost his life as an aviator during the World War.

The funeral arrangements will not be made until word is received from Colonel Gleason, now in Cleveland.

DOCTORS HAVE MEETING

County Medical Society Visits Tuberculosis Sanitarium.

(From Delhi correspondent.)

The 118th annual meeting of the Delaware county medical society was held in the supervisors' rooms at Delhi this week Tuesday. The forenoon meeting was devoted to business, election of officers, new members and other business. Luncheon at Rest Haven Inn. The scientific session was held in the afternoon at Delaware county tuberculosis sanitarium. This medical association is one of the oldest in this state and at present has about 50 members. At this sessions meeting the attendance was the largest on record. Dr. W. B. Morrow of Walton was elected president and Dr. J. E. Safford of Stamford secretary. It was a re-election in the case of both gentlemen.

DYNAMITE CAP EXPLODED

Burning Rubbish Nearly Had Serious Result for Andes Woman.

(From Andes correspondent.)

Mrs. Clapperton of Andes had the misfortune to get injured last Wednesday in a most peculiar manner. She, was cleaning out a small building of leaves and rubbish that had collected there and in burning same set off a dynamite cap that had fallen from a package that had been placed there several years ago by Mr. Mayham, who at one time owned the present Clapperton property. She was leaving the fire when the explosion occurred but it threw either a piece of stone or shell, striking her below the eye, leaving a bad bruise. It is stated that, only a few seconds previous she was leaning over the fire and very close and had it occurred at that time the result perhaps, would have been more serious.

FALL FROM CAR BREAKS RIB.

(From Fishs Eddy correspondent.)

While unloading mine props from a wagon at the high dock near Hawks mountain tunnel, Saturday, Charles Riggles, employed by Mike Zankow-ski, fell from the top of his load down between the dock and the ear, a distance of twelve or fourteen feet. Mr. Riggles sustained

a fractured rib and; other bad bruises and lacerations but is still on the job. He is very fortunate that he was not more seriously injured.

KNOCKED HIM OUT

Youth Who Made Himself Obnoxious Had to Be Carried Away.

(From East Branch correspondent.)

Saturday a young man named Tremper came to East Branch in his car from Burnwood and he and Raymond, youngest son of Thomas Crane, aged about 16 years, became involved in a little controversy and some pushing around. Raymond went home and reported to his father, who went over to the depot where Tremper was, and after some words on both sides it finally resulted in Mr. Crane feeling justified in defending himself, and he struck the young man across the side of his head, knocking him down, and rendering him unconscious. He was placed in his car and Frank Yaeger drove it to Peakville to the home of a friend, where a doctor was summoned. Later he was taken on to Burnwood and Monday went to the home of his parents in Walton. The full extent of his injuries has not been learned, but they are not as serious as was it first thought.

SUES FOR AUTO DAMAGES

Ask \$21,750 for Injuries Suffered Near Stamford.

Attorney H. A. Dyckman of Stamford has commenced suit for damages against Charles DeAngelo of New York city for injuries sustained by Mrs. Mina Baker of Herkimer in an automobile collision near Stamford Sunday, May 18, when the DeAngelo Buick, seven-passenger auto, collided with the Baker car, forcing the Baker car off the bank and injuring all the occupants.

Mrs. Baker is suffering from a fractured hip and other injuries and Attorney Dyckman sues DeAngelo in her behalf for \$15,000, \$4,250 for Mr. Baker for personal injuries and damages to his car. Mrs. Dora LaGrave, an occupant of the Baker car, is asking \$2,500 damages for injuries sustained. DeAngelo carried accident insurance to the amount of \$10,000.

The young child of Mr. DeAngelo is reported seriously ill at the home of his brother in Oneonta. The child was taken ill while the DeAngelo family were enroute from New York to Oneonta and it is said DeAngelo was in a hurry to reach his destination to secure the services of a physician and the accident happened when he tried to pass the Baker car, both westbound.

WILL MEET FAMILY AFTER 50 YEARS.

(From Rockroyal correspondent.) Charles Foote of Rockroyal sailed for England Tuesday, where he will visit his brother and sister, whom he has not seen for fifty years.

HEAVY FROSTS STILL REPORTED.

(From Downsville correspondent.)

The soft maple leaves were frozen one night recently on Campbell mountain near Downsville, so that when the sun came out they turned black.

MARGARETVILLE. STILL GROWING.

(From Margaretville correspondent.)

Two building lots at Margaretville have recently been sold, belonging to the Gilbert estate. These lots are on Swart street. One was sold to R. W. Marks and one to J. J. Welch. These parties contemplate building.