

LOOKING BACK

100 Years Ago From The Pages of The Walton Reporter

100 Years Ago,
**SATURDAY,
OCTOBER 30, 1926**
**THE WEEK
IN WALTON**

**What We Are Talking
About at the County Hub**

**NO HUNTING
ON SUNDAY**

**Eyesore on Gardiner Place-
Married in Albany- Red
Cross Roll Call-Cows Bring
Fair Prices at Sale**

Carl McCoy of Woodlawn suffered a painful cut on the left foot Tuesday while cutting wood on the Joseph Honeywell farm. Dr. Gould dressed the injury.

Frank Armstrong was thrown from a plow last Saturday and the ligaments were torn loose from the vertebrae. He has since been confined to bed. Dr. W.R. Gladstone is attending him.

The attention of those who are inclined to go hunting on Sunday is called to section 2145 of the penal code, which prohibits all shooting on that day. The offense is a misdemeanor punishable by fine or imprisonment.

At More Brothers' commission sale Tuesday 70 head of stock was sold. The twenty-six head in the dairy of Nathan Budine brought an average of \$62. The average for the rest was somewhat lower. More Brothers have another sale Nov. 10.

John Wolf has sold his farm in Oxbow hollow, formerly occupied by Percy Jackson to Arthur Goodrich, taking in the deal the Goodrich house on Tripp avenue. Possession will be given November first. The sale was made through the agency of H.M. Robinson.

Philip Stalbird of Granton had his left hand crushed under the steam shovel about a month ago while working on the Granton-Rock Rift highway. One finger was amputated at that time. Saturday Dr. Smith amputated another finger which had failed to heal.

A union meeting in the interest of the Red Cross roll call will be held in the United Presbyterian church on Sunday evening, November 7th. The message will be given by Rev. F.C. Davidson, pastor of that church. The annual Red Cross roll call for memberships begins on Armistice day, November 11.

Miss Frances M. Benedict, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry M. Benedict of Walton, was married in Albany on Oct. 10 to Theodore Hill. The bride is a student in the Albany College for Teachers and Mr. Hill, whose home is near Syracuse, is a senior in the Albany Law School. He plans to enter the ministry.

The post office department is advertising for bids to be received on or before November 20, 1926, for a five or ten-year lease of post office quarters, beginning July 1, 1927, when the present lease expires. A minimum of 1,500 square feet of floor space is required. The bids are asked on a five and ten-year period and also with and without light and heat. The present rental is \$1,200 annually with light and heat furnished. The present location in the former Guild block, now owned by A.J. Holmes, is probably the most centrally located in the business section of any quarters that are available.

Miss Harriet St. John of No. 56 Linderman avenue had a narrow escape from being struck by a stray bullet that crashed through the window about 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon. The bullet broke the glass, passed through the curtains and narrowly missed her head as she was seated near the window. The shooting was reported to the police by her father, Howard R. St. John, and Officer Soper investigated. The police believe

that some boys were hunting in the vicinity. As it is against the law to discharge firearms in the city the person who discharged the gun will be arrested if caught.- Kingston Freeman.

James M. Knapp is building an addition to his residence on Gardiner Place which extends from the house to the sidewalk along the front of the property. Mr. Knapp proposes to use this place for an ice cream and refreshment stand. The building line of the business places on Gardiner Place is some feet back from where Mr. Knapp has built and the new structure shuts out the view of Walton hall as one goes up the street and certainly has added nothing to the artistic appearance of that part of the village. Mr. Knapp's house adjoins Walton hall on the south. There are reports that his right to build out so far will be tested in a legal way by the village authorities. At least it should lead to the adoption of a building code by the village board.

Last Friday Hon. Arthur W. North and his son, Robert, took train for Toronto, planning to proceed from that city about a thousand miles northwesterly via the Canadian National Railway. Leaving the railroad at a flagstop they expect to travel two days northward by canoe, then crossing the height of land, go afoot into the unexplored regions, near the great Albany river, and affluent of Hudson bay. While this is supposed to be a game region, having no means of bringing out trophies the adventure of the trip rather than hunting is the main incentive to the explorers. They will travel alone. Thirteen years ago Mr. and Mrs. North together visited a portion of this same country, traveling with the Indians. Robert North has been growing so rapidly that a few weeks in the open has seemed advisable for him.

**Two Walton Places Raided
By Prohibition Officers**

Three federal prohibition agents, accompanied by two state troopers, staged a series of liquor raids in Walton and vicinity Monday and Tuesday which resulted in the arrest of five persons on charges of illegal possession of liquor.

The men arrested are Frank Friedlander and Martin K. Nichols of Walton, Nathan and Peter Grotsky of Hancock and Charles Becker of Arena. When arraigned before Commissioner John G. More in Walton each furnished \$1,000 bail for appearance before the federal grand jury in Utica on December 7th, except in the case of Friedlander, who asked for a hearing before the commissioner. This was set for November 26th.

Frank Friedlander's place on upper Townsend street has been under suspicion for some time, but it has been difficult to secure evidence for a search warrant. When Enock Stedman and John Ackley were in court before Justice Edward S. White last week they told of having bought liquor from Friedlander and made the necessary affidavits to that effect before Commissioner More. The complaint for the search warrant was signed by Chief of Police Frank W. McCook and a warrant was issued by Mr. More. This was on Tuesday of last week. The federal officers, accompanied by the troopers, arrived in Walton Monday afternoon and before coming downtown stopped at the Friedlander home. It is said that objection to their entry was made by Mrs. Friedlander but she was soon convinced the officers had a right to search. The returns made to Commissioner More show the seizure consisted of six pints of colored distilled spirits, three pints of white distilled spirits, one pint of alcohol and five gallons of raisin jack liquor. The latter Friedlander claimed was only sweet cider.

The search warrant for Martin Nichols' home was issued by Commissioner Lester Hubbard of Albany. The raid at Nichols' was not made until Tuesday morning. The officers seized three quarts of white distilled spirits, ninety-six bottles of home brew beer and a quart of cider.

A visit was made to the place of Charles Becker of Arena where Agent Charles Spinks bought a pint of white distilled liquor for which he paid two dollars. The officers then searched the place and seized seven quarts of white distilled spirits and a pint of colored distilled spirits. Charges of illegal possession and sale were made against Becker.

After the raid on Martin Nichols' home in Walton, Tuesday morning, the officers went to Hancock armed with a search warrant for the premises occupied by Louis Grotsky. They did not find the older Grotsky at home but did find his sons, Nathan and Peter Grotsky, and placed them under arrest after finding a quart of colored distilled spirits on the premises.

Martin Nichols has been before the federal court before on a charge of violation of the Volstead act. Louis Grotsky is a former offender also but he was not arrested this time.

The federal agents were Warren C. Frahm, Charles H. Spinks and George W. Parsons. Samples of the liquor seized were taken for chemical analysis and the rest of the stuff was destroyed. Friedlander has retained Charles N. Peake of Walton to defend the proceedings against him.

**FORMER WALTON MAN
KILLED BY AN AUTO**

**George Covert Struck From
Behind While Walking
Along Highway**

George Covert of Conklin, Broome county, a former resident of Walton, died Friday morning, October 22, in the city hospital in Binghamton from injuries received the previous evening when he was struck by an automobile.

Mr. Covert was walking along the right-hand side of the highway in the village of Conklin when he met a car coming toward him. As this machine passed another car driven by Myron Rosa of Hallstead, Pa., came up behind Mr. Covert and struck him in the back. His skull was fractured and he never regained consciousness. The accident happened at 5:30 o'clock Thursday evening and Mr. Covert died in the hospital at 7:45 o'clock the next morning.

The body was brought to Walton and the funeral was held Monday afternoon at one o'clock at the home of a granddaughter, Mrs. Ralph Bowker, on East street, Rev. Harold Faulkner officiating. Burial was made in the Walton cemetery.

Mr. Covert, who was 78 years of age, is survived by two sons, Austin Covert and Charles Covert, both of Walton.

**PINNED IN BROOK
UNDER TRUCK**

**Jefferson Farmer Found
Lying Unconscious in Water**

(From Stamford correspondent)

Frank Cornell of Cornell hollow was seriously injured in an auto accident one day last week. Mr. Cornell was on his way home from Stamford, driving a light truck loaded with feed. On Welch hill the truck would not make the grade and in trying to turn the truck around the machine went off the small bridge at the foot of the hill and turned over in the creek, pinning Mr. Cornell under it and in the water, where he was held prisoner over an hour before he was rescued by William Stewart, who discovered him unconscious in the water.

Mr. Cornell was taken home and Dr. G.L. Hubbell of Stamford summoned, who found he had fractured his leg, the bones being splintered and the leg and his body were cut and badly bruised. He was also suffering from the exposure to the water. Dr. Marsh of Oneonta was called and assisted in reducing the fractured leg.

Sells Stamford Tea Room

(From Stamford correspondent)

Mrs. E. W. Landon, who has for some time conducted a restaurant on the corner of Main

and South Delaware streets, Stamford, has sold the building and business together with the cottage adjoining on South Delaware street, to James Churchill, proprietor of Ye Olde Delaware Inn. Mr. and Mrs. Landon will go south, where they expect to make their future home. The buildings adjoin the Delaware Inn annex and are across Main street from the hotel.

**AUTO PASSES
OVER CHEST**

**Boy Bicyclist Knocked
from Wheel By Car**

Donald Osterhout, aged 12 years, was run over by an auto in Hancock Wednesday morning. Miss Vera Brandner of Peakville, driving a Chevrolet coupe, was trailing another car coming west on the Liberty highway. According to her report of the accident to Chief of Police Austin McGranaghan at the intersection of Center street young Osterhout, riding a bicycle, attempted to cross the street in front of her car. Being too close he was knocked from his wheel and the wheels of the Chevrolet passed over his chest before Miss Brandner could stop it. His left arm was broken above the elbow, his ribs fractured and his chest partially crushed.

**GETS JAIL
SENTENCE AND FINE**

**Stamford Man Drove
Automobile While
Intoxicated**

(From Stamford correspondent)

Edward Smith of Stamford was arrested at the East End, Oneonta, Sunday, on a charge of driving a motor vehicle while intoxicated. He entered a plea of guilty before Justice F. A. Murdock on Monday and was sentenced to thirty days in the Otsego county jail in Cooperstown and to pay a fine of \$25. Smith's operator's license was revoked as were the registration plates for his Studebaker roadster. Smith attracted considerable attention by his driving Sunday afternoon and after he had bumped into several other machines he was arrested by Deputy Sheriff Walling.

**THROWN FROM
ROAD CART**

**Bovina Man Breaks
Collar Bone in Fall**

(Bovina Center correspondent)

Wilford Barnhart of Bovina Center meet with an accident on Monday. While driving a horse on a road cart by the breaking of the harness he was thrown backwards from the seat, receiving a broken collar bone and other bruises.

**FOUR DOLLARS
TO THE GOOD**

**Gypsies Steal Money
in Hancock Store.**

A band of gypsies motored into Hancock Friday over the Liberty highway from the south. Unnoticed by the police they stopped on Read street and visited the grocery store and ice cream parlor of Dewey Kirkpatrick, relieving the proprietor of about \$14 cash that was in the money draw under the counter of the soda fountain. As soon as he missed the money Kirkpatrick called Policeman Halsey Young. They located the gypsies near Winne's restaurant. After much persuasion and threats of arrest one of the men offered Mr. Kirkpatrick \$5. He refused to let them off so easily and finally got \$5 more. The gypsies were traveling in a Cadillac and a Buick.

**MARRIED
SIXTY YEARS**

Harpersfield Couple Celebrate Anniversary This Week

Sunday was the sixtieth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Harper of Harpersfield and a dinner in honor of the event was held Monday. The guests of the occasion, nearly all descendants

and other relatives, were about fifteen in number. The occasion and the dinner were heartily enjoyed by all, the latter being served in the house on ancestral acres which had been the home of Mr. Harper from his childhood, and which in fact had been in possession of the family since pre-Revolutionary days, when they were settled by Colonel Harper, from whom the town was named.

Among those present at the wedding feast of Monday were Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Hendry of Davenport, who attended the wedding sixty years ago.

**CITY'S MILK
SUPPLY THE BEST**

**Of Higher Quality Than
Any Other, Chemist Says**

Ogden L. Mills, Republican candidate for governor, was confronted Tuesday with a repudiation from the analyst whose reports on the condition of New York's milk he has used throughout the campaign.

Dr. Herbert G. Pease, head of the Pease Laboratories, announced that in his opinion "the milk supply of the city of New York is of as high, if not higher, quality than that of any large city in the United States."

He said that he had been requested by the Republican publicity director, William Bullock, to only give the results of his examinations rather than comments.

OBITUARY

George F. Kellogg

George F. Kellogg died Wednesday, Oct. 27, at the home of his son, Charles Kellogg, near that village, following a general decline for the past year. Funeral services will be held from the home Saturday afternoon at two o'clock, with Rev. M.H. Ryan of the Treadwell church officiating and interment will be made in the family plot in the Ouleout Valley cemetery at Franklin.

Born April 4, 1847, Mr. Kellogg attended the district school near his home and afterward the Cooperstown seminary under the principalship of Dr. Kerr, E.R. Ford of this city being one of the students there at the time.

In 1870 Mr. Kellogg married Ann Eliza Foote, whose father, the late Ezekiel Foote, was long a blacksmith at North Franklin. Their married life was passed almost entirely upon the old Kellogg homestead. Following the death of Mrs. Kellogg on May 2, 1916, Mr. Kellogg has resided with his son, Charles.

Four children, Mrs. H.W. Lee and Mrs. F.O. Rollins of Oneonta, Mrs. Elizabeth Bartlett of Unadilla and Charles Kellogg of Treadwell, survive.

Thomas Young

Thomas Young, aged 82 years, died at his home below Hawleys Station early Saturday morning after an illness of several weeks. He was born in Scotland in 1844 and came to America in early life. For years he was a resident of Gregory hollow, later settling on the farm on which he resided at the time of his death. He was a man of many good traits; honest and obliging in every way, and this Scottish home bore the religious stamp at all times. The wife is an invalid and has the sympathy of all in her grief. Three children were reared in this Christian home, one of them, Miss Belle, dying a number of years ago. Surviving is a daughter, Miss Jennie Young, who has given her parents tender care in their illness, and another daughter, Mrs. Roger Murray, of Hamden. Rev. W.M. Barr, pastor of the United Presbyterian church at Delancey, of which the deceased had been a faithful member for years, officiated at the services at the home on Monday at 2 p.m. He was assisted by Rev. George Young of Cincinnati, Ohio, a half-brother. Burial was made in Riverview cemetery at Hamden.