

LOOKING BACK

100 Years Ago From The Pages of The Walton Reporter

100 YEARS AGO,
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1920

THE WEEK IN WALTON

What We Are Talking About
at the County Hub

CAUGHT FROM FIRE PLACE

Boy Breaks Leg—To Build
Garage—Pheasant Eggs
for Hatching—Firemen
Called Out.

Lent commences on Wednesday, February 18, and Easter falls on April 4.

Hugh Wilson, who recently sold his farm in the Mountain to his son in-law, William MacAdams, has purchased the Zeh farm of 112 acres located partly in the village of Otego, Otsego county. Possession will be given February 15.

George C. Seeley will open a grocery store on Saturday of next week, February 14, in the L. C. Bush building, North street. Mr. Seeley's son in-law, John H. Roberts, will be interested in the business in the store and the firm name will be Seeley & Roberts.

The board of trustees of the Ogden Free library has voted to open the library Sundays between the hours of 2 and 5 p. m. for reading purposes only for a period of seven weeks beginning Sunday, February 15. The opening is in the nature of an experiment, the financial aid necessary being furnished by outside sources.

John S. Tuttle has purchased of J. H. Townsend a lot on the south side of Delaware street on Townsend's flats, adjoining the Albert Smith property and will erect a garage. The lot has a frontage of 75 feet and a depth of 250 feet. The garage will be constructed of concrete blocks and will be 60 by 209 feet in dimensions. Work will begin Monday.

Secretary of State Francis M. Hugo has announced that automobiles will be allowed to run with last year's plates until February 15, at which time new plates will be absolutely necessary. This two weeks' extension will permit many cars to operate that otherwise might temporarily be tied up, with more or less inconvenience to business. In the last four weeks out of 570,000 cars that were registered in New York state last year about two-thirds have been re-registered, affording some idea of the immense volume of business transacted.

Saturday evening the fire department was called to the home of Mr. and Mrs. William F. White, corner of Stockton avenue and South street. During the evening a fire had been burning in the fireplace in the living room and owing to a faulty

construction of the fireplace the hearthstone became overheated and set fire to the woodwork underneath. The flames were extinguished with a chemical extinguisher but considerable damage was done by smoke and also to the woodwork about the fireplace. H. S. Ogden carried the insurance. The damage will not exceed \$200.

Leigh Seely, the nine year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Seely, Stockton avenue, had his right leg fractured Saturday evening. With three playmates the boy had been skiing on the rise of ground near the old cemetery adjoining the Seely place. When the accident happened the boys had put their skis together to form a toboggan and on reaching the bottom of the hill the improvised toboggan was upset and the boys thrown one on top of the other. In the mixup Leigh's leg was fractured below the knee. The fracture was reduced by Dr. W. R. Gladston, the family physician, assisted by Dr. E. Ray Gladstone.

Miss Ellen Hanford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Platt Hanford of Walton, who is a freshman in Cornell university, has been awarded one of the Cornell scholarships which entitles her to four years' free tuition in the university. The appointment was made from the state list of those who tried the examinations last June but who did not receive scholarships at that time, the present appointments being made to fill vacancies in counties where there were no contestants or where the scholarship was allowed to lapse. Three graduates of the Walton high school, who are now students in Cornell university, hold both the Cornell scholarship entitling them to free tuition, as well as a state scholarship of \$100 a year to be applied on college expenses. The three are Miss Hanford, Miss Lulu Henderson and George Brayman.

Eighty thousand pheasant eggs for free distribution to sportsmen, farmers and lovers of game birds, in addition to eggs retained by the state for hatching purposes, will be the product of the New York state game farms this year according to Llewellyn Legge, chief of the division of fish and game in the Conservation commission. Even this large output, it is expected, will be no more than sufficient to fill all applications for pheasant eggs which each year are received by the Conservation commission in increasing numbers from persons who are desirous of hatching pheasants with which to maintain the stock of game birds in their vicinity. Applications for pheasant eggs must be received by the Conservation commission at Albany not later than March 1st. Eggs will be assigned in the order in which applications are received. Blank applications may be secured by anyone interested at the Royal cafe in Walton.

INFLUENZA GASES STILL ON INCREASE

Epidemic in Walton Not of
Virulent Type

CHURCHES CLOSED ON SUNDAY

Health Board Leaves
Matter to Discretion of
Organizations—Feel
Shortage of Nurses.

The influenza epidemic is still finding many victims in this section. The Walton physicians are reporting new cases daily to the health officers, but most of the illness in Walton is not serious and the epidemic has not assumed the virulent type that prevailed in the fall of 1918.

Reports from other towns indicate that the illness there is much more prevalent than in Walton and of a more severe type. In Delhi several cases of pneumonia in a severe form have developed. Deaths from pneumonia have been reported this week from a number of towns.

The shortage of nurses is being seriously felt in Walton. In some families all the members have been ill and no trained help has been available to care for these cases. All those willing to assist in case of emergency should report their names to Miss MacNeilly, the public health nurse.

The ministerial association voted last Friday to close the churches on Sunday, Feb. 1, as a precautionary measure. The health board has issued no restrictions on public meetings but has recommended that as far as possible such gatherings be abandoned but has left the matter entirely to the action of the organizations and individuals affected. The state health department has recommended that the public schools be kept open in the case of epidemics as they believe a better watch can be kept on the pupils and any illness reported to the health officer much sooner than if the schools were closed and the matter left to the parents.

The ministerial association at a meeting Thursday decided to close the churches on Sunday, Feb. 8.

TROUBLE OVER FARM SALE

Cook Brothers Cause Arrest
of Sidney Cable on Grand
Larceny Charge.

Cook Brothers of Franklin caused the arrest last week of Sidney Cable, also of that town, on the charge of grand larceny. At a hearing Friday before Justice Cole in Franklin Mr. Cable waived examination and was held for the grand jury. He was taken to Delhi jail where he remained until Monday when he furnished bail and was released.

It seems that last summer Cook Brothers sold the James Brundege farm near Plymouth to Smith Brothers on a contract. Later the parties had a lawsuit over the hay which was settled by dividing the same. Afterwards Smith Brothers sold their contract to Cable, the bill of sale containing the hay. When Cable went after the hay he found the barn locked. He broke the lock and took the hay, which he sold. Cook Brothers then swore out the warrant for his arrest.

Mr. Cable, acting on the advice of his attorney, A. D. Peake of Walton, waived examination and was held for the grand jury. E. A. Mackey represents Cook Brothers. It is understood that the matter may be further complicated by Cable bringing an action to recover damages for alleged false arrest.

JUMPED FROM WINDOW TO ESCAPE FLAMES

Home of Robert Neff at
Colchester Destroyed by Fire

MR. NEFF OVERCOME BY SMOKE

Rescued by Neighbor When
in Dazed Condition—Nothing
Saved from Flames.

(From Corbett correspondent.)

The home of Robert Neff, who resides at Colchester about a mile from Corbett, was consumed by fire last Sunday morning between 12 and 1 o'clock.

Mrs. Neff was sleeping upstairs and was awakened by smoke. She tried to go downstairs but found the way blocked by fire and smoke. She climbed out of a window and jumped off the porch roof, escaping only in her night clothes. She went to the door and tried to gain entrance to awaken her husband, who was sleeping downstairs.

The door was fastened and Mrs. Neff could not arouse him. She ran to the home of Hugh Twaddell, a low rods away, and called him. Mr. Twaddell ran over and forced the door. He found Mr. Neff in a dazed condition from the smoke. It is said that Mr. Neff had thrown a few garments out of a window and these were all that were saved as they lost everything else. Mrs. Neff walked barefooted to the home of her brother, Daniel Gregory, who lives about a quarter of a mile away and her feet were badly frozen. Mr. Neff purchased the farm of Bull & Rowell last May and the blow is a hard one for them. It is thought that the fire originated from the chimney burning out.

GIRL BURNED TO DEATH

Clothing Ignited While
Pouring Kerosene on Fire.

(From Shavertown correspondent.)

Doris Etta Wormuth, aged nine years, died Friday, Jan. 30, from burns received when her clothing became ignited while the girl was pouring kerosene oil on a fire.

Before the flames could be extinguished the child was terribly burned, her injuries resulting in death, as stated.

The funeral service was held at the Presbyterian Church at Shavertown Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock, conducted by Rev. Alex Braisland. The Wormuth family are former residents of Spring Brook, near Rockland.

TEACHER KILLED BY TRAIN AT HANCOCK

Miss Lucy E. Yendes Struck
by No. 30 While on Way to
Depot

HAD TAUGHT IN 42
STATES

Veteran School Mistress
Boarded in Hancock and
Made Trip by Train Daily to
Stockport School.

(From Hancock correspondent.)

Miss Lucy E. Yendes of Hancock, teacher of the school at Stockport, near that village, was killed Tuesday morning by Erie train No. 6, east bound.

Miss Yendes was engaged last fall to teach the school in district No. 10 at Stockport and was in the habit of going from Hancock

each morning on Erie train No. 30, which leaves the Hancock station about 7:30 a. m. She returned in the evening on the train arriving here at 8 p. m.

On the morning of the accident Miss Yendes came from her home as usual about 7 o'clock and did some errands in the business section. About 7:25 she left the post office and started for the Erie station to take train 30. As she stepped on the east bound tracks in front of the depot, train No. 6, the fast express, which was running on train 30's time at a high rate of speed, struck her and killed her instantly. The body was thrown about fifty feet from the point of the accident.

Miss Yendes was about 65 years of age and it was said of her that she had taught in 42 states. Friends in New York city were notified of her death and had charge of the funeral arrangements.

15,157 ENROLLMENT BALLOTS

Number in Each Party Who
May Take Part in Primaries.

The board of elections of Delaware county has completed the tabulation of the 1919 enrollment in Delaware county. The total number of enrollment ballots voted at the November election was 15,157. Of this number 419 had no designation and 98 were void. The following figures by townships give the number of Democrats, Republicans, Socialists and Prohibitionists entitled to vote at the primaries of their respective parties in April and September:

	Dem.	Rep.	Soc.	Pro.
Andes	207	585	7	26
Bovina	62	198	0	39
Colchester	350	594	24	22
Davenport	214	309	0	27
Delhi	140	625	5	30
Deposit	122	367	1	14
Franklin	134	387	1	21
Hamden	85	325	0	11
Hancock	670	998	34	34
Harpersfield	114	217	0	14
Kortright	161	277	2	13
Masonville	103	262	0	13
Meredith	48	168	0	11
Middletown	408	747	4	63
Roxbury	317	522	3	19
Sidney	570	1174	7	72
Stamford	223	484	1	22
Tompkins	150	399	5	5
Walton	366	989	17	67

Total 4444 9563 111 522
There were 9,586 men and 5,571 women who voted enrollment ballots:

As compared with the enrollment of last year the Democrats have gained 220, Republicans 679. The Socialists have lost 3 and the Prohibitionists 212.

SMALL FIRE AT ARENA

Roof of Martin House
Caught Fire from Chimney.

(From Arena correspondent.)

Quite an excitement prevailed in Arena for a time on Sunday when a fire alarm was sounded and it was found that Lyle Martin's house was on fire. Prompt action soon had the fire under control. A large hole was burned in the roof. The fire is supposed to have caught from a spark from the chimney.

The damage was estimated at around \$ 60, insured in the town insurance.

DEATH FROM SCARLET FEVER

Everett Dean, Aged 6 Years,
Succumbs to Disease.

Byron Everett, son of Byron Dean of Dryden, town of Tompkins, died Sunday, Feb. 1, from scarlet fever and complications. He was 6 years and 10 months of age.

His mother, Mrs. Byron Dean, died of scarlet fever on Jan. 8. Besides the father there is one child, a son, Archibald, surviving.

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TWENTY-TWO INCHES SNOWFALL

Thermometer Below Zero Eighteen Days During Two Months.

The following tables show the daily temperature in Walton during the months of January, 1920, and December, 1919, as reported by J. Q. Barlow, the official observer. The snowfall in January amounted to 22 inches.

Date	January		December	
	High	Low	High	Low
1	37	26	32	24
2	27	0	35	23
3	12	1	27	10
4	8	-12	30	-1
5	14	-7	29	10
6	28	-3	35	18
7	33	15	45	25
8	37	30	42	32
9	35	25	46	36
10	35	10	53	19
11	28	7	23	10
12	28	2	43	19
13	31	2	52	40
14	29	21	50	19
15	10	2	20	6
16	13	-17	12	1
17	23	7	12	-7
18	11	5	13	-23
19	11	-5	8	-22
20	15	-21	24	4
21	31	13	31	14
22	21	-17	42	17
23	32	15	31	2
24	29	25	34	16
25	27	-1	24	11
26	23	-18	30	-5
27	43	14	33	29
28	38	13	33	17
29	20	-11	24	-6
30	30	17	24	-8
31	24	-18	29	20

Live Stock Judging Contest.

One of the special features of the farmers' week program this year at the Delhi state school of agriculture was the live stock judging contest for the southern New York schools of agriculture. The following schools were represented with teams: Endicott, Greene, Edmeston, Goshen, Livingston Manor, Liberty and Walton. The stock judged consisted of a ring of four each of the following: Holsteins, Guernseys, Jerseys and draft horses. The prizes were awarded for the best placing of animals in order of merit. The prizes were a silver cup for the team making the highest scoring, but must be won twice in succession by a school before it becomes their permanent property, a banner for the team making second highest scoring, a ribbon for the third and ribbon for the fourth. The four highest individual contestants each received a ribbon. The Walton team, instructed and coached by Prof. George N. Cupp, the agriculture teacher, received second prize, the first going to the Edmeston high school, third to Livingston Manor and fourth to Greene. Clyde Constable of Walton high school won fourth prize as individual contestant. Prof. DuBois, director of the state school, expects to make this feature an annual affair. If the interest manifested grows and develops as the years go by this will certainly be one of the drawing cards for farmer's week.

GOVERNOR'S HIGHWAY PLANS

Executive Favors "Pay-as-you-go" Policy in Future Construction.

In a special message to the legislature Thursday, Governor Smith urges radical changes in the highway law to lessen the cost of maintenance of state roads.

Four important recommendations are made by the governor.

First: That the law be amended so that counties share in the cost of maintenance of roads. If counties were required to pay their share of the costs of up-keep, especially reconstruction, they would be encouraged to give more thought to permanence in original construction.

Second: That counties share in

the cost of construction of Federal aid highways up to 30 per cent of the same.

Third: That the law be amended so that after the exhaustion of the present bond monies, highway construction be paid from current revenues of the state.

Fourth: That an appropriation of \$3,237,630.60 be made to meet the allotment made to this state of Federal moneys for Federal aid highways.

That a permanent form of highways be constructed, even though the initial cost is greater, in order to reduce maintenance expenses. Many of the present highways are costing over \$2,000 per mile a year for maintenance.

WOULD CANCEL BOND ISSUE

Porter Kinch Seeks to Set Aside Sidney Highway Appropriation.

Porter Kinch of Sidney has brought a taxpayer's action to set aside and cancel a vote on a road building proposition of the town.

Last November the town of Sidney voted on a proposition to build a macadam road from Sidney Center to Sidney, a distance of eight miles, for the sum of \$75,000. There were 883 votes cast on the proposition, giving an apparent majority of 47 in favor of the road. The complaint alleges that more than one-half of the votes cast were illegal as the voters' names were not on the last preceding assessment roll, and that in one district no poll list was kept. Town bonds for the above amount were bid off Jan. 22 last by the George B. Gibbons company for \$150 premium on a five per cent basis on condition that the bonds were legal.

William Thorp of Sidney brings the action as attorney for the plaintiff, with Judge H. C. Stratton of Oxford as counsel.

Buy Sidney Road Bonds.

The sale of the \$75,000 bonds for the construction of the Sidney-Sidney Center road was held on Jan. 22 at the office of the town clerk. The bids were not spirited, the January bond market being noted for its annual dullness. George B. Gibbons & Company of New York city bid in the bonds, paying a mild premium of \$150. The same firm in the past has bought every Sidney bond issued.

Celebrates 99th Birthday.

(From Arena correspondent.) Edward Miner, who lives with Mr. and Mrs. Norman Miner near Arena, celebrated his 99th birthday on Tuesday and is still remarkably smart for his wonderful age. A number of his relatives gathered with him to help him celebrate the day. He is the father of C. E. Miner of this village. According to his physical condition now he has a good prospect of reaching the century mark.

Teachers' Salaries Raised.

The Board of Education of the Walton high school met Tuesday evening to act on the engagement of the faculty for the 1920-1921 school year. The teachers have a month in which to sign the contracts offered them. The board has adopted a new scale for the salaries of teachers. The salary of the principal has been fixed at \$2,600; that of the vice principal at \$1,750 and of the instructor in agriculture \$1,900. The minimum salary of a grade teacher will be \$950 and beginning next year an annual increment of \$50 will be added until a maximum of \$1,150 is reached. In the high school the minimum is \$1,150 and the maximum \$1,350. The principals of the grade schools and

the eighth grade teachers will be paid \$100 more than the scale. In determining the salaries for the 1920-1921 school year the teachers are allowed \$50 above the minimum rate for each eight years or major fraction thereof of service in the school. The increase in salaries next year over those paid the present school year will amount to about \$6,000.

DEATH OF EARL J. BENTON

Ontario & Western Operator Succumbs to Pneumonia.

(Livingston Manor correspondent.) Earl J. Benton, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Benton of Livingston Manor, died at his home in Summitville on Friday, Jan. 30, after a few days' illness of pneumonia. Mr. Benton, who was 31 years old, had spent most of his life in the Manor where he had many warm friends. His wife who was Miss Emma Boyce of Summitville survives with a son, Benjamin Earl, aged four years. His parents and one brother, Charles W. of Livingston Manor, also survive. Mr. Benton was a member of the O. R. T. His funeral was held Monday afternoon from the M. E. church at Summitville, of which he was a member. Interment was in Phillipsport cemetery.

Mr. Benton, who was O. & W. operator at Summitville, was a former resident of Apex.

Deposit May Have Stick Factory.

M. J. Kelly, who recently withdrew from the firm of Kelly & Steinman, Inc., of Deposit, and F. S. Evans are considering the establishment of a stick factory in Deposit village. Mr. Evans has had considerable experience in this line, both in the manufacture of handles, and other small turned articles, and also in the chair business, while Mr. Kelly is a successful factory man, having for more than twenty years been connected with the Kelly & Steinman company, in the manufacture of cut glass in Deposit and in Honesdale, Pa.

MATTERS BEFORE SURROGATE

Proceedings Held Before Judge McNaught in Delhi Monday.

Estate of Ambrose Johnson, late of Walton. Letters of administration issued to Elizabeth E. Johnson, Estimate, \$1,000 personal, \$5,000 real.

Letters of guardianship of Clifton Simonson, infant, issued to Alma E. Simonson.

Estate of Winfield C. Beach, late of Masonville. Letters of administration issued to Ralph L. Beach. Estimate, \$500 personal.

Estate of George D. Keator, late of Middletown. Letters of administration issued to Attie Keator and F. Lee Keator. Estimate, \$3,500 personal, \$4,000 real.

Estate of Newton E. Combs, late of Colchester. Will admitted

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to probate and letters of administration with the will annexed issued to Arthur J. Wilson. Estimate, \$4,000 personal, \$2,000 real. Provisions of the Combs will are as follows: Life use of the property to the wife, at her death residue to Hester Combs, or in case of her death prior to that of the wife, to her children equally.

Decree entered discharging Ida Laidley as general guardian of Grace Laidley Mabey.

NEW WORLD MOVEMENT

Delaware Presbytery Seeks to Attain Goals Set for Churches.

(Communicated.)

The New World movement program in the United Presbyterian church is well under way. It is with difficulty that the suggested goals are being reached owing to so many vacancies in Delaware Presbytery. However, the earnest desire and aim is to reach these goals and the spiritual life leader, Rev. H. K. Galloway, is endeavoring to have the Presbytery meet the requirements. A communication to all the spiritual life leaders in the several congregations has gone out urging that the work be finished up by Feb. 15. The goal for "Comrades in Intercession" is two out of every three members or 1,668 for the Presbytery and so far 724 have signed. The congregations of Walton and Oneonta have passed their goals. Seventy-five per cent of the families in the Presbytery are to report having family altars; to date 217 families have report, with Delancey and Walton nearing their goals. A number of the congregations have made no report to date but all, doubtless, will soon. A 12 per cent increase on profession of faith is being sought during December and January, and February is the month for the program of stewardship.

It is confidently expected that the congregations in Delaware Presbytery will give hearty co-operation and that the New World movement will indicate real victory for the church.

Fleischmanns Wins Six Games.

The Fleischmanns high school basket ball five traveled to Delhi Friday evening, where they won from the Delhi agricultural college in a close game by the score of 26-20. Although playing on an opponent's court, the Fleischmanns five wish to thank the Delhi crowd for the true sportsmanship rendered toward them. In the first minute of play Delhi scored a field goal, but a minute later Jocelyn came back with a long shot, and from then on Fleischmanns led due to great passwork, with Faulkner's shooting starring as usual. The score at half time was 13-8 Fleischmanns leading.

Delhi began to score at the start of the second half and ran the score up to 13-12 in their favor. Then the Fleischmanns quintet settled down and went into the lead by a shot from Faulkner and were never again threatened. The hall ended with Fleischmanns the victors, 26-20, their sixth straight victory.

Kelly, Delhi's center, played a fast game, but was no equal of Faulkner, his opponent, who scored eight goals from the field and two from the foul line for a total of eighteen points. Barrett and Shaver played their usual fast game, their passwork was one of the features of the game. Persons and Jocelyn played fast, hard and effective, and gave Delhi's forwards little opportunity to score. The line up:

Delhi (20)	Fleischmanns (26)
Santow	rf. Shaver
Brown	lf. Barrett
Kelly	c. Faulkner
Hass	rg. Persons
Esson	lg. Jocelyn



Windy, Wintry Weather

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