

LOOKING BACK

100 Years Ago From The Pages of The Walton Reporter - Saturday, December 29, 1923

THE WEEK IN WALTON

What We Are Talking About at the County Hub

STIDD GETS GOLD WATCH

Hunters Must Wear Buttons—Autos in Collisions—Married Fifty Years—Other Notes.

Edwin M. Whitney, reader, will give the next number on the lecture course on Thursday evening, Jan. 5, in Walton hall.

Bert Budlne has sold his farm on Pines brook to his son, Harry, and will move to the village having purchased the Edwin Hotchkiss house. Prospect avenue.

Dr. E. Ray Gladstone was appointed village health officer to succeed the late Dr. E. Alex Hand at a meeting of the village board Wednesday. The compensation is \$50 a month.

Lewis Stidd, chief of police, was remembered by the business and professional men of Walton on Christmas day by a gift of a handsome gold watch and chain and a sum of money amounting to about \$45.

A verdict of \$24.03 and costs for plaintiff was given by Justice D. B. Wright of Cadosia in the case of Fred Knickerbocker against John S. Lakin of Walton to recover damages for an automobile collision at Cadosia on Sept 23.

A car driven by Ward Howland of East brook skidded on the slippery road at the corner of Delaware and Bridge streets Tuesday evening and one wheel was smashed when it struck the curb near the bank. Earl Robinson's car driven by his brother-in-law, Leon Budlne, met the same fate at the same corner Thursday afternoon.

The fleet of several hundred wooden ships, which for years has been anchored at Jones' Point, below Cornwall, will be added to by some fifty more wooden vessels of the shipping board which are being towed there from near Perth! Amboy, N. J. The wooden fleet in the Hudson near West Point may be seen from Ontario & Western trains and is a silent reminder of wartime days.

Mrs. Carrie Eells and son, H. B. Eells, were at Guilford Center Saturday to attend the golden wedding anniversary of Mrs. Eells' parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bump of Stilesville. The four children, eleven grandchildren, three great grandchildren and a few intimate friends gathered that day at the home of Rev. J. W. Bump at Gullford Center to help the worthy couple celebrate the passing of fifty years of married life. As a reminder of the occasion in the days to come a gift of fifty dollars in gold was presented Mr. and Mrs. Bump.

On and after Jan. 1, 1924, a hunter will be required to wear a button in a conspicuous place on his clothing while hunting or trapping any wild animals, fowls or birds. Failure to wear this button, or to have a hunting and trapping license on his person, will mean the forfeiture of the license if caught by a game protector. Another new law provides for the licensing of every person who engages in guiding in the forest preserve counties, and forbids them to carry firearms while thus engaged. This act takes effect the first of next year.

Charles Lee, who is under grand jury indictment for second degree forgery and who had skipped his bail, was lodged in jail in Delhi last week. Sheriff Arbuckle made a trip to Utica and returned with his prisoner. Some months ago Lee forged the name of a brother to a check which he cashed at Burns' store and also passed a worthless check at Kent Bros. He skipped

DEATH OF DR. HAND

Walton Health Officer Passed Away Sunday.

Dr. E. A. Hand, health officer of the village of Walton, died Sunday evening, December 23, at his home on Townsend street Dr. H&pd, who was 61 years of age, had been in ill health for some time, but the end came unexpectedly. Death was caused by Bright's disease.

Dr. Hand came to Walton some twenty years ago from Honeoye Falls, N. Y., buying the practice of Dr. R. E. D. McKenna and also purchasing the McKenna home on Townsend street. He had served as health officer of the

out of the state but returned last summer when he was arrested. He had been released on \$500 bail furnished by Charles Cobb of Delancey and W. L. Vandermark of Delhi, but disappeared shortly before the grand jury considered his case last October.

Company F basket ball team won and lost in the last week. Saturday night, Dec. 22, Company E of Binghamton played on the local court and went home on the long end of a 14-11 score. This was one of the fastest games seen on the local court in many weeks. Christmas night the Company F team defeated Barnes' All Stars of Binghamton by a score of 16-12. Probably one of the fastest teams to appear on the Walton court this season will come here on Saturday night, Dec. 29, when the fast Stevens' Institute team of Hoboken, N. J., will battle with Company F. Stevens has a high reputation in the basket ball world, having lost only one game last season.

The Ford coupe of Harold Biedekapp of Hamden and a Ford touring car driven by Fenton Cole of Walton collided near the ice house on the state highway east of Walton Sunday evening. Biedekapp was driving home and the other car was coming from the east. Mr. Biedekapp states that his car was partly off the macadam when the other machine ran into him. The touring car crossed the highway after the collision and went through a fence. One front wheel was smashed and the windshield broken. The side of the Biedekapp car was badly jammed and the wishbone broken. The total damage to the two cars will amount to \$125. On Saturday evening while Clayton Kelley of Pines was driving out of his garage into the highway his machine was struck by a car from Beerston. Both machines were damaged.

CAR KILLS FARM HAND WALKING ON HIGHWAY

Fred Dann Dragged Under Cowan Machine

WAS UNSEEN BY DRIVER

Rain and Darkness Responsible for Fatal Accident on Palmer Hill, Near Andes.

(From Andes correspondent.)

Fred Dann, a German employed as a farm hand by Edward Gladstone of Gladstone hollow, near Andes, was instantly killed Friday evening, Dec. 21, when struck by the Essex touring car driven by Donald Cowan, who lives on the Margaretville state road.

The accident occurred on the Palmer hill road about half a mile from the village limits while Cowan was driving to Andes and Dann was walking home in the opposite direction. Apparently Dann stepped out toward the middle of the road, thinking the car would pass toward the side. It was a rainy night and Cowan did not see the man until almost upon him.

Dann was thrown upon the hood and as he fell off was caught by a rear wheel and dragged under the machine which went off a culvert

village of Walton about twelve years and had been a coroner of the county. He had also acted as health officer for the union school district

Dr. Hand received his medical education in the medical college of New York university. He first practiced at Moravia, N. Y., and later at Honeoye Falls. The body was taken Thursday to Moravia, where the burial service will take place this, Friday, morning. Walton Lodge No. 559, F. & A. M., had charge of the service at the home on Townsend street Wednesday evening. A daughter, Mrs. Michael Brown, of Rochester, survives.

at the side of the highway. Nearly every bone in the unfortunate man's body was broken.

The funeral was held in the Methodist church at Andes on Monday. Dann was unmarried and had no relatives in this country. He was about 50 years of age.

CAR HITS MAN LEADING HORSE

Driver of Machine Speeds Away After Accident.

(From Shavertown correspondent)

Saturday last as H. A. Shaver of Shavertown was returning home on foot leading a horse he had bought at Bloomville, he was hit by an auto on the state road, near Tunis Lake. He was quite badly bruised about the legs and body but no bones were broken. Mr. Shaver was able, after a time, to continue home with the horse. The driver of the car did not stop to see what damage he had done and Mr. Shaver failed to get the number of the car.

THROWN FROM HAYLOAD INTO BROOK.

(East Branch correspondent.)

While driving Grant Houck's team down Baxter brook on a load of hay Monday Frank Brock was thrown from the load into the brook fourteen feet below and his shoulder badly wrenched and bruised.

WILL STUDY PUBLIC NURSING.

(From Stamford correspondent.) "Miss Julia Grant of Stamford, who recently resigned her position as head nurse at the Delaware county sanitarium, expects to soon go to Boston to take a special course in public nursing.

CELEBRATE GOLDEN WEDDING

Family of Cannonsville Couple Help Observe Anniversary.

(From Cannonsville correspondent.)

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Jester celebrated their golden wedding anniversary Monday evening at their home on Main street, Cannonsville. Their guests were their son, M. C. Jester, and wife, and daughter, Miss Althea, of Deposit, and son, Reginald, of Rochester; their daughter, Mrs. Axford Turner, Mr. Turner and two children, Hilda and Theron of Cannonsville. It is very seldom that a family circle of children and grandchildren like the above has never been broken and all attending the 50th wedding anniversary. Other guests were Mrs. M. C. Jester's mother, Mrs. J. J. Gregory, and Mrs. Turner's mother, Mrs. Harriet Turner. The wedding supper was most elaborate. The table was nicely arranged. The color scheme was yellow and white. The artistic decorations were looked after by the two granddaughters, Misses Althea Jester and Hilda Turner. The bride and groom of 50 years received many useful and valuable gifts, including gifts of gold. Another pleasing feature of the evening was a family Christmas tree

with gifts for all. The happy occasion will long be remembered by not only the family but by many friends who extend congratulations and all good wishes for many returns of the day.

CAPTURED OVER HUNDRED FOXES.

George Terry of Otego has captured over one hundred foxes since November first. These foxes were mostly caught in the East Branch valley. This will certainly make the pot game more plentiful, as these one hundred foxes would kill and destroy more birds and rabbits than all the hunters in Delaware county.

WOOD SEASONED TOO MUCH

Sticks Left in Oven Cause Small Blaze.

(From Downsview correspondent)

On Monday of this week a little excitement was created on the river road across from Downsview. Some stove wood had been placed in an oven of the kitchen stove at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Howe to season. Mrs. Howe had gone to the village leaving the wood in the oven. Soon after she departed the wood got on fire and burst open the oven door. Clouds of smoke were noticed by neighbors and by the aid of a few pails of water the fire was extinguished. No damage was done to the building.

JUMPED TO HIS DEATH

Insane Stamford Man Leaps From Second Story Window.

(From Stamford correspondent.)

Francis Bulloss of Stamford died Tuesday afternoon from injuries received Sunday afternoon about two o'clock when he jumped from a second story window of the Pierce building on Railroad avenue. He fell about 25 feet, striking the ground in an alleyway, fracturing his hip and bruising himself.

Mr. Bulloss, who was about 70 years of age, had been acting queer of late and threatening to take his life. He resided with his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. P. N. Wilson, in the Pierce residence, and while members of the family watched him to see he did not harm himself, he eluded their vigilance and committed the rash act. The Wilson family moved to Stamford recently from Harpersfield.

GIVEN GOLD WATCH ON HIS RETIREMENT

Chairman Moore Presented With Gift by Colleagues on Board of Supervisors

William G. Moore of Walton, chairman of the board of supervisors, was presented with a handsome Howard watch by fate colleagues on the board at a farewell dinner given to them and the county officials by Mr. Moore at the Edgerton house, Delhi, last Thursday evening.

After the supervisors had eaten their fill of turkey and other good things speeches were made by Judge A. J. McNaught, Samuel H. Fancher and R. Hume Grant. The retiring chairman was then presented with a beautifully engraved Howard watch, the presentation speech being made by Supervisor J. B. Gilbert of Harpersfield, one of the oldest members of the board in point of service. Mr. Moore retires from office with the friendship and good will of the men who have served on the board with him during the six years he has represented the town of Walton. He has been chairman of the board the past two years.

The board adjourned Friday morning. One of the last acts of the supervisors was to increase the salary of the matron at the alms house, Mrs. James F. Foreman, from \$600 to \$1,000. Supervisor, Thomas G. Colchester was recorded the negative on the vote. The salary of the

county sealer of weights and measures was increased to \$1,500 and he was authorized to spend \$100 to complete his equipment.

The session closed with rising votes of thanks given to Chairman W. G. Moore, Clerk H. F. Marvin and Miss Louise Gleason, assistant clerk.

REFERENDUM ON PEACE AWARD

Expression of Citizens to Be Asked on Bok Prize Plan.

The Hon. Ellhu Root has announced through the New York press that the jury on the American peace award, created by Edward W. Bok, has selected the plan which will bring to its author the \$100,000 prize for the most practical scheme for the prevention of war. The text of the plan will be published in the press about New Year's and thereafter the American public is to be asked to record by a gigantic referendum its approval or disapproval thereof. With the great subjects of peace and war thus entirely removed from the field of partisan political discussion, the sponsors of the award look for a free expression of opinion. Ballots will be furnished and no individual expense involved. The national committee has asked the following to see that the voters of Walton have every opportunity to register their views, viz: A. J. Courtney, mayor of the village; Miss Luella Burroughs, president of Civic club; Mrs. E. H. Pond, regent of the D. A. R.; Mrs. George Johnston, president of Woman's club; A. W. North, president of the library. Within the week the committee will meet to arrange details.

BLOCK SYSTEM ON U. & D.

Number of Railroad Offices Closed Sundays.

(From Stamford correspondent.)

By the installation of the block system on the Ulster & Delaware railroad many extra telegraph operators are required. The company to decrease expenses closes several stations on Sunday: Davgnport Center, East Meredith, South Kortright, Grand Hotel, Pine Hill and others.

CARPENTER RECEIVES INJURY.

(From Stamford correspondent)

Eugene Stryker, a carpenter, was injured last Friday while working on the new garage of George Hitchcock, Beaver street. The scaffold on which he was standing broke from its fastenings and Mr. Stryker fell a distance of about twenty-five feet. No bones were broken but he was badly bruised by the fall and from a blow from a falling plank. He was confined to his bed for a few days.

COLCHESTER FARM CHANGES.

(From Corbett correspondent.)

Jason D. Fuller has sold his farm to Mrs. Anna Mills, who has taken possession and will move to the same in a few days. Jason Fuller has purchased the Milo Radeker place at Colchester recently vacated by S. F. Eaton and moved to the same last week.

BOTH ARMS AND LEG BROKEN

Delhi Boy Fell from Window of Old Silk Mill.

(From Delhi correspondent.)

Leonard Wardell, aged 11 years, whose home is with his grandfather, George Smith on Orchard street, Delhi, had both arms broken just above the wrists and one leg broken at the thigh Monday about noon as he and other boys were playing about the old silk mill. Clambering about the roof he fell through a roof window 25 feet, striking on the floor below. Drs. Goodrich and Silliman reduced the fractures.