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### REPUBLICANS TO CHOOSE ORGANIZATION TICKET

#### Chairman Parker to Entertain County Committee.

### DISTINGUISHED GUESTS EXPECTED

#### Date Said to Be all Arranged for Selection of County Officers—Possibility of Contest for Sheriff's Office.

A call has been issued by Secretary Raymond of the Washington county Republican committee for a meeting of the committee to be held at the yacht house in Salem on Saturday afternoon of next week, July 19, at three o'clock, standard time. The announced purpose of the meeting is the suggesting of candidates for various county offices to be voted on at the primaries to be held September 18. In connection with the call for this meeting, Congressman James S. Parker, county chairman of the Republican committee, has invited the members of the county committee to be his guests at a buffet luncheon to be served on the lawn at his home in Salem before the meeting of the committee. Time of the luncheon is announced as one o'clock standard time.

Besides the Republican committee members of Washington county, Congressman Parker expects to entertain this time a number of guests of prominence in the Republican party of the state and nation. They include Assistant Secretary of the Navy Theodore Roosevelt and Mrs. Roosevelt, Congressman and Mrs. Carroll L. Bedy of Maine, Miss Sarah Schuyler Butler, vice chairman of the Republican state committee and others.

After the luncheon the committee members will take up the heavy business of the day, which will consist of recommending candidates to receive the organization support for county officers to be nominated at the primaries in September. According to one report, this part of the day's proceeding is likely to be as peaceable and harmonious as the luncheon itself, but of course there is always a possibility of differences of opinion developing. The reported program is for the nomination of pretty much all of the county officers whose terms expire this year. These are Assemblyman Herbert A. Bartholomew of Whitehall, District Attorney Wynan S. Bascom of Fort Edward, County Clerk George W. Curry of Hudson Falls and Superintendent of the Poor Milo S. Graham of Hartford. There also are two corners to be nominated in the places of Robert C. Davies of Granville and William C. Cuthbert of Hudson Falls.

This completes the list of retiring officers with the exception of sheriff. The term of office of Sheriff Thomas A. Herrington expires this year, and according to the state constitution a sheriff is not permitted to succeed himself. A new man is to be picked, and the man said to be slated for the official endorsement is N. Austin Baker of Salem. Mr. Baker is reported to have the support of the leaders who are said to have agreed upon the rest of the ticket given above, but Deputy Sheriff George W. Bandler of Greenwich is also a candidate and he states that he expects his name will be presented at the meeting of the committee. Mr. Bandler has already been sounding out sentiment in various parts of the county and it is understood to be his intention of entering the primaries regardless of the action of the county committee.

There was also a story published recently to the effect that Clarence Parker of Granville might seek the nomination for assemblyman against Mr. Bartholomew. If there is any foundation for this report, the campaign will undoubtedly be made in the primaries and not in the committee meeting, for the Granville members of the county committee are understood to favor the regular order set forth in the preceding paragraphs.

### Compensation Awards.

Among the awards made under the workmen's compensation law by referee McKenna at Troy Monday were the following: George McGowan, Johnsonville, \$140 for injuries in the employ of the Wilson and English Construction company; Arthur E. Briggs, Salem, \$300.85 for injuries while employed by John Fairbanks; Francis McDonough, Middle Granville, \$80 for injuries in the employ of John D. Erick.

### CHAUTAQUA IS COMING FOR ELEVENTH SEASON

#### Week Long Program Opens Here July 30—Committee on Tickets Makes Announcement.

Plans are being made for the eleventh annual Chautauqua in Greenwich, which will open on Wednesday, July 30, and continue through Tuesday, August 5. The Swarthmore Chautauqua, the same one that has been coming here for ten years past, will provide the program, which is recommended to be equal if not superior to anything they have offered in former years. Copy of this program appears on another page of this paper.

The superintendent this year will be Mrs. Mary Spaulding Munro, who has been with the Swarthmore Chautauqua for the past six years. Mrs. Munro has been a teacher of English and dramatic art in cities of the East and Middle West, and her lectures are a worthwhile feature of this year's program.

At a recent meeting of the local Chautauqua guarantors the distribution of tickets was put in charge of a committee headed by William H. Deuel. The guarantors consist of one hundred persons who last year signed an agreement to take six adult tickets at a cost of three dollars each. The committee on tickets calls attention to the fact that the sale of this number of adult tickets is required to fulfill the contract with the Chautauqua association, and that the purchase of junior tickets is dependent upon to pay local expenses. These adult tickets contracted for are therefore not exchangeable for junior tickets.

Holdings of season tickets will have the privilege on the opening night of the Chautauqua of taking one adult guest with them—coupon good for that day being attached to each season ticket. The attractions for the opening night are a concert program by Maupin's singing band and a lecture "Burns of the Mountains," by James A. Burns, founder of Oneida Institute, Kentucky. The lecture embodies a vivid description of life among the feudists of the Kentucky mountains and the work being done by the Oneida institute to check the almost barbarous practices of some of the mountain clans.

### DOUBLE MURDER MYSTERY EXCITES ESSEX COUNTY

#### Two Woodsman Found Slain Near Trail They Were Clearing—Authorities Seek Clues.

Essex county authorities, assisted by state troopers, are investigating a double murder mystery which came to light on July 4 when the body of George Martin of Lake Placid was found beside the Whiteface Mountain trail. The skull was fractured and it was evident that the man had met with foul play.

For a day or two suspicion was directed toward Jesse Crownshield, who had been Martin's companion in the work of cutting trails on the mountain. Three days later, however, Crownshield's body was found pierced with several bullets and lying in a brook half a mile from the place where Martin was found.

The men had been working together cutting trails over the lands of the Whiteface-Lake Placid Shore association. They had been employed on this job about a week. They were last seen alive on the morning of July 4, when they left their camp to climb the mountain. A party of mountain climbers came upon Martin's body late that afternoon about two miles up the trail. The man's skull was fractured. There was a wound on the right side of his face, which was badly bruised.

District Attorney O. Byron Brewster of Elizabethtown and state troopers, who were called in the investigation, at first believed that Martin might have fallen from a precipice. But this theory was discarded because the body was found lying at a level part of the trail. With the finding of the bullet-scattered body of Crownshield the authorities are certain that both men have been victims of slayers.

Both Crownshield and Martin were men well liked in the community. Both had excellent reputations. Crownshield leaves a wife and four children at Lake Placid. Martin was a bachelor, and lived in Lake Placid with an aged mother.

### WILSON CONFESSES TO SNOCKING CRIME

#### Schuylerville Man Held for Manslaughter.

### KILLED WOMAN DURING SPREE

#### Husband of Victim Found Her Body After Several Days—Plea of Insanity May be Used in Wilson's Defense.

John Wilson, a well-known resident of Schuylerville, is held in the Saratoga county jail at Ballston and will probably face trial on a charge of murder in the first degree. He is said to have confessed the slaying of Mrs. William T. Smith, also of Schuylerville, in a fit of jealous rage after the two had participated in a protracted drinking bout at Mrs. Smith's home in that village.

The murder is believed to have taken place last week Monday, but the crime was not revealed until Thursday night, when Mrs. Smith's body was discovered by her husband, who returned home after several days absence. He found the house locked, but gained entrance by forcing a rear window. Then he saw his wife's body lying on the bed. He notified village officers of the crime and Coroner VanAernum of Saratoga Springs was called. Assisted by Dr. Callahan of Schuylerville he made an examination. The condition of the body indicated that death had occurred several days earlier. The body showed bruises about the head and knife wounds.

Suspicion was immediately directed toward Wilson, who was a boarder at the Smith house. He was already in jail, having been arrested on Monday for being drunk and disorderly and sentenced by Justice of the Peace F. V. Knight to six months in Ballston jail. Later developments indicated that soon after the murder Wilson must have left the house, still in an intoxicated condition, and behaved on the streets in a manner that brought about his arrest and sentence.

Saturday morning at the Ballston jail Smith confessed the murder to District Attorney Andrus after two hours of severe questioning. Under Sheriff Davy was present, and Albert Forthmiller, court stenographer, took down the confession.

In his confession Wilson said he and the woman had been drinking all day, having consumed three pints of gin and a quart of moonshine whiskey. In the afternoon they quarreled over the attentions the woman had been receiving from other men. Wilson said he beat the woman with his fists and then choked her; that he knew she was dead when he released his hold of her throat, because her eyes were open and stared at him. Wilson then washed up, changed his clothing and went down street, where he was arrested for intoxication and sentenced to six months in the county jail.

Wilson is forty-four years of age is a widower and has three children. He is a seaman, but for the last three years has hung around Schuylerville between voyages, and for the last year most of the time. His three children were some time ago taken to Ireland, where they are with relatives. Wilson had been employed as a driver at Funston Brothers coal yard.

William T. Smith, the murdered woman's husband, was formerly a blacksmith at Ballston. He had recently been working at Fort Miller for the Kingsbury Construction company. He is spoken of as an industrious and respectable citizen. Besides her husband, the murdered woman is survived by one son, Clarence Munson.

Mrs. Smith's funeral was held Saturday afternoon at Closson's undertaking parlors, Schuylerville. Rev. W. A. Renter, rector of the Episcopal church, officiated.

Wilson was arraigned in county court at Ballston Tuesday on a charge of manslaughter, first degree, and through his attorney, Henry Tooley of Schuylerville, entered a plea of not guilty. The case was then adjourned until Thursday. It is believed that attorney will make a motion to have his client examined as to his sanity when the case comes up again.

#### Injured by Dynamite Cap.

Kenneth Rickert was taken to the McClellan hospital last Thursday evening suffering from injuries received when a dynamite cap exploded in his hand. He suffered the loss of portions of one finger and thumb, and one eye was so badly injured that he may lose it. After treatment at Cambridge he was taken to Troy where his eye is being treated.

### LEAGUE MEMBERS QUIT CONFERENCE ON PRICES

#### Efforts Fail to Reach Working Agreement—League's Prices for July.

An effort to secure co-operative action among the various milk producers' organizations failed last Wednesday when representatives of the Dairywomen's League walked out of a meeting of the Committee of Fifteen held at Utica. The meeting was called in compliance with a plan advanced by John L. Dillon, publisher of the Rural New Yorker, and its object was to formulate a plan by which united action could be secured among all organized milk producers. While only three of the members of the committee represented the Dairywomen's League it is claimed that their organization is larger than all the others combined in the territory represented.

After an extended discussion of the whole milk marketing problem differences arose when the committee voted 12 to 3 to table a series of resolutions offered by Charles H. Tuck of the Dairywomen's League and a resolution aiming to fix a price for Class 1 milk.

In dealing on behalf of the League representatives to take any further part in the proceedings Mr. Tuck said: "Our gentlemen have deliberately pushed the matter to a point where I have to repeat what I have said kindly and as often as I can. This issue involves thousands of families and I would be false to the milk industry if I did not say that what you are proposing is false and fundamentally wrong."

"We have asked you to consider carefully the plan which we offer and you have failed it; you will not face the issue of collective marketing. These are the issues at stake. You now insist on fixing prices without a definite program. This work has been done through the action of dealers' representatives who are here present. The League members are willing to support organized co-operatives. The League has tried to get the best prices possible for the products of its members. It raised the price last fall and representatives of organizations present went outside of the territory to get milk to flood the market. The members told our directors in no uncertain terms that the League price should not be raised at the expense of the loss of markets."

Mr. Tuck then announced that the League trio arose and walked out of the meeting, followed by the forty Leagueurs among the spectators.

### League's July Prices

Producers' milk prices for July as recommended by the Dairywomen's League Co-operative association, Inc., will be the same as in June. Prices in the various classes per 100 pounds of milk (3 per cent butterfat) at the 201.10 mile freight zone follow:

Class 1—(fluid milk).....	\$1.86
Class 2—(A cream).....	\$1.70
Class 3—(B plain value).....	\$1.55
Class 4—(B plain condensed and cream).....	\$1.85
Class 5—(soft cheeses).....	\$1.85
Class 6—(evaporated, sweetened condensed and milk powder and hand cheeses, other than American).....	\$1.55
Class 7—(A butter) same as usual.	
Class 8—(B American cheese) same as usual.	

### Masons to Have Outing

A committee of Ashlar lodge, F. and A. M., is making arrangements for the annual outing and dinner, which will be held at Kincaid's, on Lake Coxsawaura, next Wednesday afternoon and evening, July 16. In the afternoon there will be a program of athletic sports and contests, including a ball game and such feats of strength as horseshoe pitching and maybe a boat race. Dinner will be served at seven o'clock, new time. All Masons and their families are invited. Tickets may be obtained of the members of the committee, which includes Postmaster Edward McClellan, Carl Baldwin and George Randless.

### Card Party for Nurses' Fund.

A card party will be held Thursday, June 17, from 5 to 6 p. m., daylight saving time, at Florence Nightingale hall, Hospital Hill, Cambridge. Five hundred, bridge and mah jong will be played. The women of Greenwich are especially invited to attend this summer fete. The proceeds from the sale of tickets will be applied to the Nurses' Training school loan fund. Further particulars may be learned upon inquiry of Miss Blanche D. Thompson.

### GREENWICH FIREMEN ON TOP OF THE WORLD

#### Win First and Second Prizes at Hoosick Falls.

### COMPETITORS LEFT FAR BEHIND

#### Only Note of Sadness Comes From Realization That Hand Engine Contests are Fast Becoming a Thing of the Past.

Greenwich firemen at Hoosick Falls on the Fourth of July clinched their claim to be the champions of the world in the good old-fashioned sport of squirting stream of water through a fire hose by man power applied to the brakes of a hand fire engine. Not content with winning first prize of \$300, they lifted the second one of \$200 also. Because they didn't have another hand engine, they were obliged to let the third prize go to another company.

Many Greenwich people went to Hoosick Falls to see the fun and to root for the Roughs or the Unions, or both, and they had the satisfaction of backing champions. The Rough and Ready company with their reliable old machine made one of the finest throws of the many winning efforts they have made in the past half century or so, and hung up a record of 205 feet 2 inches. The was more than ten feet short of the phenomenal squirt made at the last muster held in Greenwich last Labor day, when the same company made a mark of 216 feet 8 1/2 inches, but that one would have been notable even in the grand old days when a dozen or fifteen companies turned out to a general muster. Any throw that passes two hundred feet is well worth shouting about in these days.

The Unions with a throw of 187 feet 3 inches took second place by a wide margin over the next company. The Cambridge engine, manned by Cambridge and Hoosick Falls firemen, took third place from Salem by a margin of less than two feet. The old J. J. Gray engine did 175 feet 11 inches, and the Unions of Salem, who took second money in the contest here last year by a throw that lacked only inches of the two hundred foot mark, were only able to score 174 feet 1 1/2 inches. The Hennington company, which had been expected at the meet, did not show up, so there was only one company "outside the money."

The hand engine contest was the big event of the Fourth of July celebration in Hoosick Falls, which was fairly well attended. There was a parade in the morning and in the afternoon a ball game in which a team represented the Hoosick Falls Elks defeated the Knights of Columbus of the same town by a score of 6 to 2.

The victorious Greenwich companies were given a good welcome on their return home. Members of the band turned out and a parade was organized, but on the whole the demonstration was a rather sad reminder of olden days, for it seemed to emphasize the fact that firemen's musters are not what they used to be. For one thing, the boys, traveling in automobiles, got home too early. In the brave old days they went and came in special trains which were always late, and the band and the populace had to stay up late to give them a welcome. Now they get home before the majority of the villagers are back from their joy rides, and their arrival makes a comparatively small sensation.

MotORIZED fire apparatus has even put the city fire horses out of business, not to mention the old-time hand engine, but there are a few devotees to the sport of water throwing who are unwilling to let the old hand engines go into the discard. They are sentimental about them and they know that there is no kind of physical competition which produces quite the same sort of thrill as that of fifty men jumping the brakes of a sturdy "old tub" to the last ounce of their strength and endurance. It is a dying sport, perhaps, but it will leave vivid memories.

### Farm Barns Burn.

During the severe electrical storm yesterday afternoon lightning struck the barns on the farm belonging to Thomas Flanigan, known as Maplewood Farm, east of Hudson Falls, and caused a loss estimated at \$12,000, partly covered by insurance. Four buildings were burned, together with their contents, including hay, grain and farm machinery as well as a valuable team of horses and a blooded bull. The animals were burned to death, the flames spreading so rapidly that no one could get to the stables to open the doors.

### GREENWICH FREE LIBRARY MAKES ANNUAL REPORT

#### Secretary Reviews Activities of Past Year—Treasurer's Statement of Financial Condition.

At the annual meeting of the Greenwich Free Library association held Monday Mrs. F. H. Fenton was re-elected a member of the board of trustees for a term of five years. The meeting of the trustees for the election of officers has not yet been held. The annual report of the secretary, Mrs. C. C. VanKirk, was read, as follows:

On June 12, 1923, after the annual meeting of the Library association, the library trustees held their annual meeting for the election of officers and the selection of committees. At that meeting the following officers were elected for one year:

President, Mrs. Harry C. Gray; vice president, C. L. Morey; secretary, Mrs. C. C. VanKirk; treasurer, Horace Taber.

The standing committees for one year were as follows:

Committee on finance, Mr. Taber, Mrs. Gray, Mrs. Fenton.

Committee on books, Mr. Morey, chairman, assisted by the four other trustees.

Committee on administration, Mrs. Fenton, Mrs. Gray, Mr. Taber.

There were fifty-two members of the association this year. The trustees have held six regular meetings during the past year and several special meetings. One hundred and thirteen new books have been purchased for the library and fifteen books have been donated, total 128.

The reading room has been well supplied with good magazines. Fifteen have been purchased by the library and several others have been donated by friends of the library. These are for use in the reading room and are to be loaned later.

During the past year 10,381 books have been loaned and 475 magazines. Of the books, 9192 were fiction; 286 non-fiction and 1663 juvenile.

It was necessary to install a new hot air furnace in the library building during the past year and to make the following changes: Removing the toilet from a first floor bedroom to the clothes closet adjoining, which necessitated cutting an outside window and a door into a hallway leading to the cellar. A door was hung at the cellar stairs; electric lights were put in the second floor and extra ones in the first floor, and one in the cellar.

Work has also been done on the roof and other necessary repairs have been made. Two new book stacks have been made for the book room and will be placed there soon. These are necessary for the constantly increasing number of books.

The book committee has ordered a list of new fiction for summer reading which they expect will be ready for loaning soon.

Death has recently taken from us Mr. Robert L. Shanks, who for half a century had been a respected citizen in our town and for a score of years had been our librarian. We appreciate and acknowledge the constant care and interest he ever took in the property and in the good name and public service of this institution; he has been to the community and to us faithful and efficient.

Since this report was made on the library has had a thorough renovation. The floors have had two coats of much needed paint, the cracks filled, the walls and ceiling in the reading room muresoed, the book shelves touched up, a new tier of book shelves for the hall, paint on the floor of the living rooms and many other much needed repairs. For all this work we are indebted to the children of our librarian, Dr. Lewis Shanks, Robert Shanks, Mrs. Sage and Miss Eva Shanks. The trustees feel very much indebted to them, as I am sure, all the patrons of the library do.

The treasurer's report shows the finances of the association are in good condition. The receipts for the year ending June 1 for general purposes amounted to \$820.14; the disbursements for running expenses were \$416.97; books and magazines, \$207.83; repairs to building, including new heater, \$359.41.

The income from the investments in the endowment and other special funds amounted to \$275.42. The trustees now hold securities amounting to \$9,200, par value, the income from which is only available for certain specific purposes.