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BIG DOUBLE SHOW—RIGHT-O

WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY

Three Big Days—April 2-3-4

MARY PICKFORD

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Volunteer Labor On Doubleday Field

Volunteer workers who love base ball so well that they are willing to work for it are making fine start on the project of putting Doubleday Field into good condition for the coming season and from the progress made up to date it appears certain that the amount that must be raised by subscription will be considerably reduced by this means.

The old grand stand has been taken down, the nails pulled and the boards sorted in good condition to be used for the erection of bleachers along the first base line. The three big trees in this locality have been cut down and sawed up and will be sold the proceeds to be used toward erecting a larger and better grandstand in the proper location, i. e., behind the catcher's box.

The village authorities have drawn a goodly supply of cinders which will be used as a base for the infield. These are to be covered by a top dressing of suitable material which will enable the players to judge the ball grounders as they shoot down the line and not have to play in constant fear that a stone or other obstruction will lower their averages.

If you feel like helping in the good work see Manager Lester Clark at once.

St. Patrick's Party Delightful Event

A very delightful party was enjoyed by about 100 members of Leathers, and their friends in celebration of St. Patrick's Day at K. of C. Hall, Monday evening of last week.

The program included a number of Irish and American songs rendered by the choir of St. Mary's church the parts being sung by Mrs. Ralph Barick, Miss Helen Kraham, Michael Kraham and Pietro Alotta. The distinctive hit of the evening was the clog dancing by Master Alexander Mandui who won the hearty applause of all with his talented exhibition.

Miss Elizabeth Coleman presided at the piano. The Rev. Father Patrick A. Crowe in his usual graceful manner introduced Philip McManus and the Thomas P. O'Connell, Jr., as the speakers of the evening and their remarks were greatly enjoyed. Light refreshments were served and cards and general dancing completed a most successful evening.

Cooperstown Press Type Sold at \$2,199

H. Neal Robinson, trustee in bankruptcy in the matter of the defunct Cooperstown Press, Inc., has sold the type and brass rule at the plant to Morris Friedman for the sum of \$2,199.70. The material was inventoried at \$1,500.40, making a total above the inventory price of \$699.30. Mr. Robinson, pursuant to the instructions of the referee, wrote many concerns whom he believed to be in the market relative to the purchase of type and showed the stock to many prospective purchasers including one man representing the largest printing concerns in the country and from none of them could he secure so advantageous an offer as that made by Mr. Friedman.

The sale of the plant and machinery of the company under a judgement of foreclosure brought by the Irving Bank-Columbia Trust company is advertised to take place in front of the building on Friday of this week at 12 o'clock noon.

Scout Organizations Are Consolidated

In view of the recent organization of a first class Boy Scout Council embracing the counties of Otsego and Schoharie and the greatly increased interest in the movement throughout many of the villages and other communities of Otsego county where numerous Boy Scout troops are being formed, the announcement made last week by James E. West, chief scout executive of the national organization, of the completion of arrangements whereby the Lone Scouts of America are to be consolidated with the Boy Scouts, will be received with pleasure.

It will be remembered that because of a pamphlet done by a Boy Scout of London for W. D. Boyce, of Chicago, that the Boy Scouts of America came into existence. Mr. Boyce was so much impressed with the value of a movement which would cause boys to take seriously their scout obligation, that he secured the cooperation of Sir Ernest Baden-Powell and on February 8, 1910, incorporated the Boy Scouts of America. A membership of nearly 500,000 men and boys, organized into over 21,000 troops, with 621 local councils. Since organization, over 5,000,000 men and boys have been enrolled as members.

Mr. Boyce has felt so much pleased with the management and success of the Boy Scouts of America that he has sought to have its benefits made available to the Lone Scouts of America, which he organized in 1915, primarily for boys on the farm and in rural communities. During the last nine years, over 500,000 boys have been enrolled in the Lone Scouts of America. All of these still interested and active are to be given the benefits of the facilities and leadership of the Boy Scouts of America.

The Boy Scouts of America have maintained a Pioneer Scout Division for boys in rural communities, and the Lone Scouts of America are now the Pioneer Scouts will possibly be merged. The membership of all Lone Scouts will be recognized by the Boy Scouts of America, and meanwhile the same procedure for qualifying for the various Degrees will be maintained.

EAST SPRINGFIELD

Mrs. Wesley Moore, son and daughter of Saskatchewan, Canada, were week-end guests of Mrs. Cora Walrath and family.

Paul Van Hoesen of Fort Plain was guest the past week of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Burt Van Hoesen.

Thomas Murphy of Amsterdam was the guest of his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Murphy one day last week.

Edgar Brown was in Cooperstown Wednesday.

Miss Mable Peasley of Schenectady is the week-end guest her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Peasley.

Miss Madge Van Dusen of Johnstown and Mrs. Van Dusen of Schenectady are guests of their home.

MIDDLE VILLAGE

Owen Fassett and son, Homer, are ill with influenza.

Don't forget the play Friday night given by the Junior Project Club.

Ward Rathbun has moved from the Manse into the new house recently built on the Clark farm.

Mrs. Owen Peters is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Richards.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Monk were at Richfield Springs Thursday.

Mrs. Albert Larson is entertaining her mother and sister from Nebraska.

"Do you own a good farm" is less important than "Does your farm own a good farmer."

Obituary

Clarence William Davidson
The entire community was shocked Monday morning when it became known that Clarence W. Davidson had passed into Eternal Life at about 4 o'clock that morning while sleeping. Mr. Davidson's health had not been robust for some time but there was no indication that he was suffering from any serious malady. He was about his usual duties during the week preceding and on Sunday attended church services appearing to all to be in his usual health and spirit. Death was caused by embolism of the heart or brain.

Clarence William Davidson was the son of Andrew and Altana (Barnum) Davidson and was born November 7, 1867, at Middlefield Center. Coming to Cooperstown when a mere lad he had been resident of this village for over fifty-one years. He was graduated from the Cooperstown High school in the class of 1889, at the age of fifteen, being at the time the youngest graduate who had ever received a diploma from the school.

After leaving school he entered the office of the Otsego Republican of which his father was the editor and proprietor and devoted himself to acquiring a thorough knowledge of all branches of the business to which he succeeded in 1902 upon the death of Col. Davidson and which he conducted until the business was merged with the Otsego Farmer in 1909. In 1917 he was appointed deputy commissioner of excise and remained in that position for three years resigning to return to Cooperstown to act as secretary of the Board of Supervisors. In the latter years he has conducted a general life and fire insurance business remaining actively engaged therein until the last day of his life.

A member of one of the most prominent families of Otsego county, both maternal and paternal sides Mr. Davidson will always rank not only as one of the prominent but one of the best citizens of this village. A man of the highest personal integrity, true Christian gentleman thoroughly imbued with the spirit of patriotism for country and loyalty to his home community his death will be deeply felt in many circles which have had the benefit of his devoted enthusiasm for many years. Of a genial, fraternal temperament his friends were numerous.

He was a life-long and active member of the First Presbyterian church of Cooperstown at the time of his death holding the office of elder to which he succeeded his father who had acted in that capacity for years before him. He was a Past Master of Otsego Lodge, No. 132 F. & A. M., a member of Otsego Chapter, No. 26 R. A. M., and of Otsego Commandery, No. 76 Knights Templar, a member of the Order of the Sons of Veterans, Knights of the Maccabees, of which he was record keeper, and of the Order of Honor Legion of the United States. For many years he was the local representative of the Associated Press and during the years of his active newspaper work took part in the deliberations of the various press associations. He was for many years of the Phinney House Company, during which period the company was one of the finest drilled in the county.

August 29, 1888, he was united in marriage with Gertrude Amy Bunn with two sisters, Mrs. William Beattie P. Willis of Albany and Cooperstown, two uncles, Sylvester W. Barnum of Cherry Valley and Richard W. Davidson of Cooperstown; two aunts, Mrs. Janet Whitman of Cherry Valley

and Mrs. Isabelle Waldron of Cooperstown; eight children, Clara Gertrude of Cleveland, O., Dr. Donald R. Davidson of Cooperstown, Mrs. Frank Nelms, Jr., of Philadelphia, Pa., and Jean at home, together with seven grandchildren and numerous cousins, all of whom have the sincere sympathy of the entire community in their bereavement.

The funeral was held at the home on Elm street Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, the Rev. Edward C. Peters, pastor of the First Presbyterian church officiating, followed by the funeral services at Otsego Lodge, No. 132, F. & A. M., in charge of the Past Masters with whom he worked during his military career. The attending staff consisted of a bed and guard of the Sons of Veterans and the following served as honorary pall bearers: L. E. Wright, C. S. Stanton, David H. Willis, M. E. S. Lippitt, W. M. Bronner, Frank Hale, H. L. Bruce, Adrian A. Pierson, and official representatives from the Maccabees, Royal Arch Masons and Knights Templar. The body was placed in the vault at Lakewood cemetery and will be interred later in the family plot.

Village Club Hikers Brave Mud and Slush

"Cap" Smith and "Will" McEwan led what was probably the last winter hike of the season when a party of young people, led ten-mile walk having the slush and mud of early spring. A bombardment of snowballs was carried on at the start in which the members of the rear guard figured. "Hobo" Lotz, as leader of this group was especially conspicuous among the bombers.

Among those who were "Cap" Smith, Will McEwan and John McEwan. William Tell led the vanquished advanced guard.

After a hard climb in following a logging trail a suitable camp site was selected and immediately volunteers were called to bring in wood and chop it. Among those who did not volunteer were John McEwan and "Abe" Lippitt who were tired out after a little workout on Doubleday Field earlier in the morning. Soon a good fire was going and "Cap" had some tomato soup ready to eat, and Hamburg steak frying in a large pan. "Hobo" and "Maddie" Bissell competed to see who could eat the most steak and here "Hobo" was again victor. All those present took advantage of the opportunity for storing away good food in camp style and some evidently overdid the occasion for they returned to the club almost a half hour later than the rest of the hikers.

Fewer hens with plenty of room may lay more eggs than twice as many overcrowded.

Uncle Ab says he can't help thinking that uprightness in high places in a republic depends mainly on uprightness in the people themselves.

Southern New York Railway, Inc.

Passenger Schedule Effective October 1, 1923

Trains leave Cooperstown for Herkimer daily at 7:25 a. m. (except Sunday) 9:15 a. m.; 1:01 p. m.; 3:30 p. m.; 5:30 p. m. and 7:00 p. m. Coverts at 8:15 a. m.; 11:53 a. m.; 2:10 p. m.; 4:46 p. m. and 9:30 p. m. Trains arrive from Herkimer at 8:44 a. m.; 12:11 p. m. (except Sunday) 3:09 p. m.; 5:15 p. m.; 7:00 p. m. and from Oneonta at 9:44 a. m.; 1:32 p. m.; 4 p. m.; 6:50 p. m.

Since 1917 Builds 6 Million Business

Eugene D. Stocker's Career Since Leaving Otsego County Marked Success.

The New York Morning Telegraph of March 2nd contained an extended and laudatory account of the career of Cooperstown from which we print extracts which will be read with interest by his many friends here as it contains facts concerning the growth of the great company of which he is president and his own career since leaving Otsego county which are not generally known.

A smasher of prejudices, a planner and worker for the city's future, the builder and the head of a \$6,000,000 business, an active Democrat and a regular fellow is Eugene Davison Stocker, president of the United States Hoffman Machinery Corporation, the Canadian Hoffman Machinery Corporation.

Here's the man who has banished buggy-knee trousers from America, the man who has increased the volume of business of his company from \$500,000 to \$6,000,000 in the short period of seven years—and what's more, he is a native New Yorker.

His parents were Morgan R. Stocker and Elizabeth Storey Stocker. Whether or not in his early training he was taught to believe in stripes, Mr. Stocker has never said, but the fact remains that a certain sign played an important role in the shaping of his career. Back in 1907, while stopping in Syracuse, Mr. Stocker was attracted by a sign reading "Spruce Up Some of Your Clothes."

His curiosity led him to a tailor's where two men were pressing clothes with a machine. Perhaps Mrs. Stocker thought of the unexpressed wish which today he is endeavoring to make "pressing conscious" for he instantly spruced up interest enough to seek counsel from the Hoffman company manufacturing the presses.

Right from the start of his connection with the Hoffman Company Mr. Stocker was in the forefront of possibilities of this clothes pressing machine and he set the wheels immediately in motion to develop the possibilities, but it was not easy. Opposition met him at every turn.

Mr. Stocker thoroughly studied the problems as presented by these three factors. He brooded long and hard for solutions, and finally managed to overcome the difficulties in every instance.

He convinced not only the clothing industry but the world at large of the necessity and the service of the Hoffman clothes pressers, a fact evidenced in 1923 by sales sheets which reported aggregate sales of \$5,642,574. Besides representation in every large city of America and Canada, the Hoffman company has branch offices in all the principal cities abroad.

An unforgettable personality has Mr. Stocker. Decidedly humorous, with a humorous touch and a magnetism which draws him to the people, Mr. Stocker is universally popular in every circle in which he moves. At his club in Manhattan and Westchester-Biltmore he is rated among the luminaries.

Ask any of his hundreds of employees and they will tell you why the Hoffman Company has grown. They will speak of him as an intimate acquaintance, for he knows the majority of them by their first names. His business friends, customers and competitors alike, always have a cheery word to say of him.

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