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## DIAMOND IN SOUTH PARK

### City Did Not Keep Faith With Mr. Elbers On Lake Cleaning

Mr. Elbers Has Been a Friend To The City And His Reward Has Been Abuse

Mr. Harry Elbers, Supt. of South Park, is under no obligations to the city of Lackawanna.

Mr. Elbers is working for the city of Buffalo, on city of Buffalo property but his broad gauge and liberal mindedness, that endeared him to the people in the vicinity of Humboldt Park, from which place he came here, has been exhibited in our city, more times than often.

Who worked harder, to make our last year's fourth of July celebration in the Park, a success, than Mr. Elbers?

Why the man took off his coat and vest and buckled in like a member of a committee.

He worked with us to save this city hundreds of dollars in the South Park sewer matter.

He took an interest in Lackawanna. He said "Come on in boys" the Parks line, the first time Lackawannians were allowed to use it.

Last fall the Journal suggested skating in Park Lake, Mayor Widmer and his council took it up too, Henry Elbers took it up and, what was the result? The deal was closed, we were to use the lake and Mayor Widmer called his council in, he invited Mayor elect Toomey and his council elect and both sides agreed to furnish men to clean the snow off the ice, so our citizens would not have to go to Buffalo to skate.

Then came the "Snow" down.

Then came the show down and when the show down came Mayor Toomey or Tim Lavelle reneged.

They wouldn't shovel off the snow. Our girls and boys had to go to Buffalo to skate where they sent the city printing.

So there you are the city didn't keep faith with the Park Department and when we came along and ask for a base-ball diamond—well Mr. Elbers says "You'll probably get one in the Park in fact I might say yes, but I am very sorry the city did not keep its promise and do so small a thing as shovel off the snow from the ice.

It is too bad and if that was the only promise the present administration broke we'd say very little about it, but it seems that very few of their promises were kept.

## LACKAWANNA H. S. B. B. TEAM

The Lackawanna high school has elected its baseball team, officers for the ensuing year. They are:

Manager, Jos. Malone; Captain, Jos. Mescall; Secretary, Earl Yetter.

The schedule is now being made up and the team would like to arrange games for the coming season with any high school team in the business.

Address all communications to the Manager, Jos. Malone, % Lackawanna High School.

## THE GARBAGE CONTRACT

The garbage contract that was let thru the advertisement in the unofficial paper, the Buffalo Enquirer, will become a liability on the Councilmen only for this year over last.

Had the bid been the same as last year, a holdover could have been affected.

The Councilmen will only be liable for the additional price contracted, for this year over last.

This is in answer to a letter received today and is our version of the matter.

### Trouble in the Sanctum.

There's always a sticky-fingered individual who somehow always finds his way into a newspaper office. His peculiarity is that he takes things that can be of no earthly use to him. Just now he has gone away with all the exchanges, including the paraphrapic material.—Nashville Tennessean.

### Book for Household Hints.

A separate book should be kept for household hints. These, too, should be placed in alphabetical order. If the housewife pursues this policy she will find her rap book a great aid and comfort for she can turn to it whenever necessary with the assurance that the desired knowledge will always be there.

## SEE WHO'S HERE

The University of The State of New York, The State Department of Education, Albany.

Statistics Division, Hiram C. Case, Chief.

Mr. Charles W. Ellis  
411 Electric Avenue  
Lackawanna, N. Y.  
Dear Sir:  
Albany, Mar. 8.—Agreeable to your request of March 4th I am sending you under separate cover our last printed annual report which is for the school year ending July 31, 1913 and refer you to page 840 where you will find a table giving the average cost per pupil based on average daily attendance in the cities of the state. For the purposes of comparison this table is unfair to a few cities. If you will turn to page 806 you will note that in the column headed "New buildings and schoolhouse sites" there are included for a few cities large expenditures for this purpose. It is hardly fair to compare the average cost with these items included with other cities where this item is omitted. It is included only in those cities which are unable to give us separate data on their bond issues. We have no information giving the relative cost of the Gary system.

Respectfully yours,  
Hiram C. Case.

HCC-MF Sent

The public was told at the last meeting of the school board that the Lackawanna schools were the second (2nd) lowest in the state as to cost per pupil.

We did not believe it when we heard it, but we did not believe it rather than look for proof.

We wrote the Statistical Department of The University of The State of New York, at Albany and Mr. Hiram C. Case, its chief, answered us as per his letter above and also sent the 1914 annual report, of the Educational Department, State of New York, a volume 2 1/2 inches thick, and it's so full of school information that it's brimming over.

But the board of Education in Lackawanna told us "we were the 2d lowest city in the state, as to cost per pupil.

Here is what the State of New York, Board of Education tells us: Lackawanna is the fortieth lowest (40th) not the second (2d) as the boasts would make you believe.

Here is the list, not our list, but the state's list of the cities that operate at a lower cost than we do: Albany, \$39.52; Amsterdam, \$41.64; Binghamton, \$28.89; Cohoes, \$36.68; Corning, \$43.74; Cortland, \$20.28; Elmira, \$40.02; Fulton, \$29.60; Glenn's Falls, \$46.18; Gloversville, \$41.56; Hornell, \$46.03; Hudson, \$32.68; Jamestown, \$43.42; Johnston, \$46.88; Kingston, \$37.21; Little Falls, \$46.10; Lockport, \$44.94; Middletown, \$45.01; Newburg, \$36.14; Niagara Falls, \$47.90; North Tonawanda, \$44.63; Ogdensburg, \$29.37; Olean, \$39.36; Oneida, \$37.92; Oneonta, \$44.04; Oswego, \$28.39; Plattsburg, \$42.76; Port Jervis, \$39.11; Rensselaer, \$33.02; Salamanca, \$40.21; Schenectady, \$43.18; Syracuse, \$42.72; Union, \$42.92; Watertown, \$29.75; Watervliet, \$36.12;

LACKAWANNA'S COST \$48.75 is not 2d, but 40th.

We invite the verification of these figures by the Superintendent of our schools.

Then let us see who is trying to misguide the people, the JOURNAL or the authorities?

Now there are only 15 cities in the state whose cost per average pupils in attendants is higher than Lackawanna, that's different than being the second (2) lowest in the state.

Don't it?

No! Here is what we deduce from these facts.

If you are falsely informed in one thing, why not in some other thing?

If you are told that we are the second (2) lowest city in cost, in the state, and it is proven we are the fortieth, why is it not reasonable to assume, when the school board says we must have \$130,000.00 worth of school additions, to believe that we only need \$30,000.00 worth?

THE JOURNAL claims we don't need \$130,000.00 worth of new school additions.

You are to vote Yes or No on April 7th, which is it? More taxes when you can keep them down Or Lower taxes by you're not boosting them up? We ask to know?

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### When a Book is Worth Something.

No book is worth anything which is not worth much; nor is it serviceable, until it has been read, and reread, and loved, and loved again, and marked, so that you can refer to the passage you want in it, as a soldier can seize his needs in an armory, or a housewife bring the spice she needs from her store.—John Ruskin.

### Tree That Furnishes Butter.

A tree grows in Ashanti and around the world, near Kohba resembling in appearance the English oak, and it is said to furnish excellent butter. A curious fact about this vegetable butter is that it keeps in perfect condition all the year round.

## MR. CITY CONTRACTOR IS YOUR CONTRACT VALID?

### That Injunction May Throw It Out

#### Contractors Better "Look 'em a Little Out" They be in Bad

When Mr. Julius I. Lowell, traveling solicitor for the Buffalo Enquirer came out to Lackawanna and strong-armed the Old Town Board, into giving that paper the official printing for this city, against the provisions of the city charter and at 3c a line more than the JOURNAL was charging.

There most be some ties that bind the Old Town Board to Mr. Lowell, stronger than the ties of the taxpayer or else, how could the city dare pay 3c a line more for advertising in the Buffalo Enquirer than they were paying in the home paper and with out advertising for bids too?

### COUNCILMEN MUST PAY

City Is Not Holding For More Than One Payment

Some people think the Journal has put the taxpayer to a double expense by getting the injunction against the Buffalo Enquirer, but such is not the case.

If the Journal wins the knock out, the city will have to pay the Journal from January, 1st 1916 to date of the final settlement of who's who.

The Councilmen will have to pay the Buffalo Enquirer, if that papers management presses the action of its representative Mr. Julius Lowell.

Whether the Enquirer will go so deep is only known by themselves, but the city is only liable for one payment and the councilmen, the other.

### POOL CUE VS. CRANIUM

Last night Ivan Lipak who is on probation under the name of Mike Buch, of 428 Wasson Ave. while in a saloon at 434 Wasson Ave. got into an argument with some one, who's identity is not yet known to police and Ivan got a wallop over the head with a pool cue that made an opening in his head that required so many stitches, that the use of a sewing machine was again clearly demonstrated, at police headquarters.

Nobody seemed to know who Ivan's assailant was and he himself refuses to disclose the man's identity.

The pool cue used in the fray was covered with blood from one end to the other looks as tho it had been going the rounds of slaughter house.

The police are on the trail of the fellow who did the wedding of the cue and it is a forgone conclusion that if he sticks around the city he will land in the coop before many hours are over.

What the disposal of the case will be with out the assailant is not known but the police no doubt will have the case completed before sundown tonight.

### WHERE THE SHAMROCKS USED TO GROW. IRELAND IN 1917

The Kaiser's Cows, are grazing Where the Shamrocks used to grow. How long they'll pasture on the green. Nobody seems to know. But if we judge the future By what we already know There'll be no grass for Pat's Jackass. Where the Shamrocks used to grow. O! Johnny Bull. O! Johnny Bull. What are you going to do? You said you would lick the Dutch. So, now it's up to you. But unless you get a hustle on There is one thing you must know. They'll be raising plants for Sour Kraut. Where the Shamrocks used to grow. (Written For The Journal)

### VERSEY FISHER TO BE BURIED

#### INTERMENT AT ARMOUR N. Y.

Funeral of Versey W. Fisher of No. 14 Rosary Ave., who died March 7th, will take place from the family residence today at 2 30 o'clock.

The burial will be at Armour, N. Y. by funeral car.

Mr. Fisher leaves a wife, Nellie May Fisher (no Redhead) and a daughter Gladys May.

The deceased was a member of Aeris 46, Eagles, Seymour Camp 125, W. O. W., and Lodge No. 1, S. U. N. A.

Friends are invited to the funeral services.

### HAMBURG PEOPLE IN CLEVELAND

(Special to The Journal)

Cleveland O., Mr. Otho Churchill of Hamburg N. Y. arrived here last Monday for a stay of a week or 91 days.

Mr. and Mrs. F. V. Osborne are here on a short visit with friends.

### Unexpected Cigar Smoker.

James Payn tells us that Harriet Martineau smoked cigars! She was told it was good for deafness and tried it. He supplied her with a mild brand, and says he smoked with her often. Yet she would be the last guess, the most unlikely puffer of the weed in the whole category of famous women! One would almost as soon think of Hannah More or Susannah Wesley having an after-dinner cigarette!

### Envid.

In proportion to the extent of his acquaintance, the schoolboy whose father runs a moving picture show commands a larger share of envy than any other human being in the world. —Judge.

## WILL PUNISH MEXICAN BANDITS.

### U. S. Troops Start After Villa.

#### CARRANZA MAY OBJECT

#### Army Officers Fear Complications With Mexican Republic.

#### INTERVENTION IS LOOMING UP.

Washington, March 11.—President Wilson last night ordered approximately 5,000 troops into Mexico on a punitive expedition to "disperse or capture" the Villa forces, which early Thursday morning attacked the town of Columbus, N. M.

Execution of the orders will be carried out at once. By waybreak today it is expected the American forces will be well into Mexican territory.

With the prospect growing of active opposition by General Carranza, there is apprehension in official quarters that it means the beginning of general intervention. Publicly, however, the administration is taking every precaution to prevent such a possibility.

In discussing the course to be pursued, President Wilson is reported to have declared to the members of his cabinet: "Gentlemen, we have set our plow to the plow, and must go to the end of the furrow."

Although the entire day was given by the administration and the war department to a consideration of the exact course to be pursued, it was not until 7 30 o'clock last evening (Continued on page four)

## AN AGREEMENT FOR ADVERTISING

In talking recently with a man who has made a large success as an advertising salesman in another place, this question was asked him: "When a merchant says it does not pay to advertise, what do you tell him?"

"I just ask him this," was the reply "What proportion of the population of this town has been inside your store during the past months?"

Very few merchants ever claim they have had ten per cent of the population. Most of the non-advertisers would be glad to get only a small fraction of one per cent with any regularity.

"Then I say, how are all the rest of the people going to know about your goods?" How can they tell whether it would be for their advantage to patronize you or not? If you have good values, or special bargains, how do they know about it? A great many of them rarely or never pass your store. The great majority that pass give you only a glance. You are not getting their business, having done nothing to interest them.

"Then I go on," he continued, "to say there are just three ways to get them. They can send around collectors from door to door, distribute circulars or hand bills, or advertise in newspapers. The newspaper notice is read carefully where a solicitor is summarily turned down, and besides the advertising is 20 times cheaper than canvassing. And hand bills are chucked into the waste baskets, while newspapers are read. If you don't care to use any of these methods, I tell them, most of the people of this town will continue to pass you by, without knowing anything about your goods."

The publisher who is willing to accept money for advertising upon any other basis than with the understanding that full value is returned in publicity which brings new and added business is discrediting himself as well as his paper.

Newspaper advertising has a monetary value to every man looking for business in your town. Sometimes it is hard to convince some of them of this fact. The argument above may help to do it. Come your collection.

## MEN'S CLUB MEETS.

EDEN, March 10. (Special)—The regular monthly meeting of the Men's Club was held in the M. E. church last evening. G. Frank Duke gave an interesting talk on "Constantinople and Dardanelles in the Light of History." Professor E. D. Ormsby, superintendent of schools in this part of the county, discussed the public school question.

## PERSONAL

Master Mark Loveland, of North Tonawanda, is spending the week end with his cousin, Spencer Ellis, of 1400 South Park Avenue.

Tom Sheridan, who is ill with the grippe in Dr. Robinson's Hospital, is improving.

Without an ad gives up keeping boarders rather than raise the price of that business, anyway.

### ELISCO ARRENDONDO,

Mexican Diplomat Handling Situation in Washington for Carranza.



## HAMLIN'S RUSHING REINFORCENETS TO THE FRONT

There has been such a great demand for the merchandise Hamlin's are offering in the Department Managers' Sale that the big store has had to telegraph to all the big manufacturers with which it has placed orders for the sale, to rush reinforcements through for the second week.

Close observers do not wonder that there has been such a great demand and such enormous crowds at Hamlin's the past few days. The Department Managers' Sale offerings have been very appealing to any who might be the least bit economically inclined. In face of the fact that wholesale prices are advancing by leaps and bounds, Hamlin's are offering the most needed merchandise of the season at even lower than their usual "Lowest in the City Prices!"

Wise shoppers are crowding the aisles of the Hamlin Store, eagerly intent upon taking advantage of the wonderful money-saving opportunities Hamlin's offer. As early as yesterday afternoon the department managers began warming up the lines in the effort to make the factories rush new merchandise in to reinforce stocks for the second week, and before the store closed last night and early this morning replies began pouring in assuring the managers that their requests would be honored and that shipments would be rushed forward immediately.

The writer made a tour of inspection of the Hamlin stock rooms during the latter part of last week and found them literally choked with brand new Spring merchandise. Yesterday he was asked to look through those same stockrooms and he is free to confess that he never quite realized how much business a big department store could do in two short days.

The stockrooms of a large store could be appropriately dubbed the pulse of the store for big shipments come in, are unpacked and placed on long tables, selling prices marked on tickets and fastened to the merchandise then placed on large, roomy shelves where it stays until needed in its particular department downstairs. It is really remarkable how fast that merchandise arrives and is placed in the department and it is sold. The Hamlin store is one of Buffalo's fastest growing institutions.

Watch the Hamlin advertising carefully all of this week and next.

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