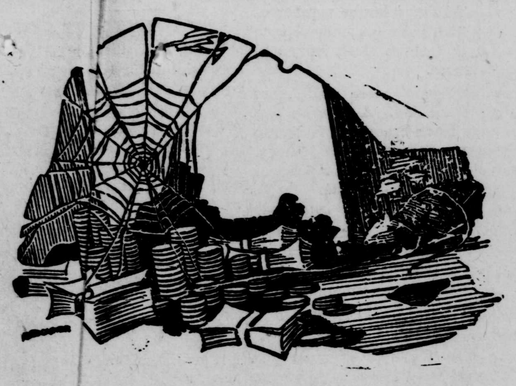

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Eastern Shore Happenings

Rev. A. W. Sonne, of Wilmington, delivered the principal address at the exercises attending the laying of the corner-stone at the new Dover school building last Friday. The program was in charge of the Grand Lodge of Delaware, Free and Accepted Masons.

Charles A. Bamberger, Grand Master of Delaware, was master of ceremonies. In addition to the address delivered by Rev. Sonne, brief addresses were delivered by several officials of the State and local boards of education. Representatives of several civic organizations also made a few remarks.

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Father Comiskey of Dover, was killed Saturday morning May 26, with Miss Priscilla Sharrard when an automobile in which they were riding struck a train at the crossing along the duPont boulevard near Haven Lake along the outskirts of Milford.

Miss Burdanette Connor, who was driving the car is in the Milford hospital suffering from injuries received in the accident. Father Comiskey and Miss Sharrard were both instantly killed and Miss Connor was rendered unconscious.

The direct cause of the accident is unknown. Eyewitnesses say that the automobile was not traveling faster than ten or fifteen miles per hour as it approached the crossing. The train was traveling at a rapid rate of speed as there is a deep grade between this point and the Milford station.

The automobile, which was a Ford sedan, struck the third coach of the train and was completely demolished. The bodies of Father Comiskey and Miss Sharrard were hurled about 150 feet from the crossing while that of Miss Connor was found about 20 feet from the scene of the accident.

Father Comiskey was fifty years of age and had been in the Priesthood for a long time. Within a few months he had planned to quietly observe the silver anniversary of his ordination. The deceased rector was born in Ireland and his only known relative in this country is a sister in New York. Before coming to Dover Father Comiskey served a charge at Centreville, Md.

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A large barn at the St. Joseph's Industrial School at Clayton was completely destroyed by fire Sunday morning. Five horses and two cows were burned during the fire the origin of which is unknown. The loss is covered by insurance.

The fire was not discovered until it had secured a large start and the Clayton firemen immediately summoned help from Smyrna, Middletown and Dover in order to prevent the flames from destroying the other buildings at the institution.

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Easton, Md., June 1.—The relation of railroad transportation to agricultural interests was stressed last night by Guy S. McCabe, general freight agent of the Pennsylvania Railroad, who spoke before the Rotary Club of Easton. Mr. McCabe was accompanied by I. B. Sinclair, superintendent of the Delaware division; George Fetterman, industrial agent, and George W. Rush, division freight agent.

"Managing a large farm these days is a business enterprise," Mr. McCabe said. "The salvation of the farmer is low freight rates for farm products. And this is the cry that railroad men hear from all sides.

"Notwithstanding the general supposition, railroad farm rates have been considerably reduced in the past two years. Yet the demand for farm transportation has tripled in the same length of time, burdening the railroads of the country with additionad responsibility.

"The present forecast indicates that crops this year will be bountiful. The coming summer and fall will break all railroad records for freight traffic. To handle this unusual burden, the railroads have pledged themselves to an adequate transportation system for those seasons."

Following Mr. McCabe's address, William Mason Shehan, president of the Rotary Club, spoke of the recent sale of the Maryland, Virginia and Delaware Railroad. He told Mr. McCabe of the present need of the Eastern Shore for adequate railroad transportation facilities. "The Shore," he said, "will be deprived of its only farm product carrier should the Maryland, Delaware and Virginia be junked, as has been reported it will be."

Mr. Shehan added that the future of the Eastern Shore depends on its railroads. He asked Mr. McCabe to consider the results of the proposed scrapping of the road.

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Delmar, Del., June 3.—The fire department of Delmar will hold a carnival and jubilee from June 8 to 16.

On June 14 a big street parade is expected to take place. All fire departments south of Wilmington and on the Eastern Shore of Maryland and Virginia have been invited to take part in the parade, which will start at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. Bands are expected to be present from all parts of Delaware and Maryland.

The following prizes will be given: To the fire department coming the greatest distance, $20 in gold; best appearinance, $20 in gold; best equipment, $20 in gold; band having greatest number of pieces, $5 in gold; band coming the greatest distance, $5 in gold. Additional prizes will be given for the best float and best decorated automobile in the parade.

Music for the week nigts will be furnished by the Tall Cedar Band, of Delmar.

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The fiftieth year of the Wesley Collegiate Institute comes to a close with the approaching commencement season. A large class of young people will engage in the usual commencement festivities before going out into larger fields of education or business.

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Georgetown, Del., June 2.—Construction work on the Harbeson-Lewes stretch of concrete roadway is progressing rapidly and the Bonham Company, contractors, expect to have it completed by fall.

The closing of the road, however, is a severe blow to Rehoboth Beach and will no doubt lessen the visitors at the resort this summer to some extent. The detours from Harbeson to Lewes have been put into good shape for motorists going to Rehoboth Beach and other points in the extreme eastern part of the county.

The road next summer will be one of the greatest assets that Rehoboth Beach has had for many years, for visitors will be able to go by stone road from Wilmington to the resort. The completion of the stretch will connect the eastern with the western part of the county, a roadway of 36 miles without a break having been built under the supervision of the Sussex County Highway Improvement Commission. Although work on the Harbeson-Lewes road has only been under way a few days, more than a half mile of concrete has been placed this week.

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Easton, Md., June3.—Soft crabs were never known to be so plentiful here as they are at the present time. Automobiles bring here daily many dozens of them and retail them at 50 cents a dozen. They are large and palatable, being much cheaper than meat at the advanced prices. Almost anywhere along the river front they can be gathered in great numbers, with very little effort.

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Seaford, Del., June3.—The strawberry season is practically at end in Southern Delaware and the growers will do well to break even on the 1923 crop. At first the growers were much discouraged, as the berries were only bringing from $2.26 to $3.25 per 32-quart crate, but as the season advanced fancy berries brought from $5 to $6 a crate.

To get the berries picked the growers were compelled to pay 3 cents a quart, and in some instances 3½ cents. The crates and baskets cost 60 and 65 cents. Taking the cost of picking, cost of crates and baskets, cost of plants and the fertilizer and work put on the berries, the growers are at loss to see that they made anything on this season's crop.

Another thing that was much against the growers was the lack of help in picking the berries at any price, to say nothing of the drought which has prevailed ever since the first berries were brought to the market here. During the first week some of the farmers became so discouraged that whole fields of strawberries were plowed up and the land set to some other crop.

There were instances where fine patches of berries had to go to waste for want of pickers, and the owners turned the patches over to the public to get all they wanted. Many families availed themselves of the opportunity to get the berries for the picking of them, making them up into preserves, jellies and wine.

In some sections the school boards provided special schedules for the pupils desiring to pick berries. In this manner the growers of those particular sections were able to get their berries picked and marketed.

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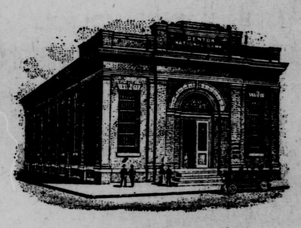

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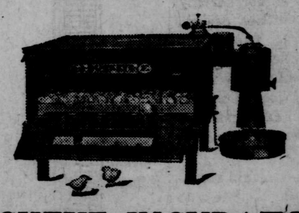

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