

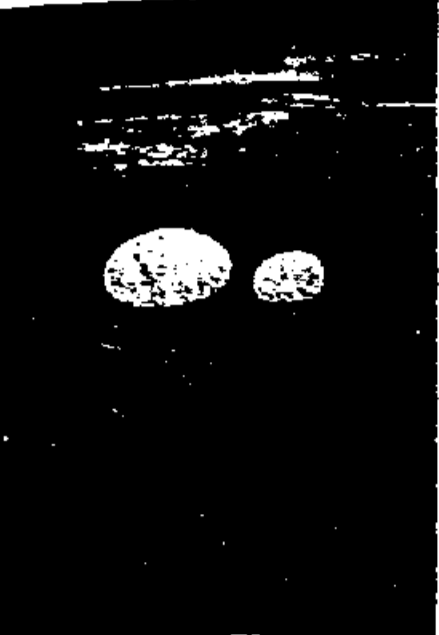
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Some Egg, Some Hen



Pictured above is a giant size egg weighing one-half pound and measuring 8 inches in diameter and 10 inches in length. The egg was laid by a Rock Red hen in the flock belonging to Floyd Burghurt on the Burghurt farm south of Westbury village. The egg was found to have two yolks when put under light.

THROOP TOWN 110 YEARS OLD

Several Thriving Industries There in Past Years

Wednesday, April 8, was the 110th anniversary of the formation of the town of Throop in Cayuga county. Formed from parts of Aurelius, Mentz and Senectott, the land had been settled many years earlier. The settlement of Throopville had been started in 1799 by Christopher and John Jeffries.

Several businesses had been established, including grist and flouring mills, a cloth dressing shop. The Neyhart mill, history says, had four runs of stones and a capacity of 100 barrels of flour a day. The power was furnished by a 12 foot fall of water over the lower dam, and the three-story mill stood where Owasco Outlet is crossed by Turnpike road.

The first settlement in Throop was by Ezekiel Crane and his son Shadrach who came from New Jersey in 1790 and settled a few miles west of what later became Throopville. The Cranes are buried on top of one of the highest hills in the town. Crane Brook named for the early settlers, flows below it.

In the town's 11,463 acres are gravel beds, gypsum, hunting and fishing were abundant, and the area was called the "hunting ground of the Cayuga Indians." Owasco Outlet in the early days was a well-stocked stream.

The industries and the busy life of the town in the early part of this century show few traces today. The stone masonry of the dam and the lower mill is still visible, and old residents can point out the sites of other once well-known landmarks.

It has been a half century and more since there was a postoffice and a doctor in the town, and the blacksmith shop, the creamery, and cheese factory, and even the school and the trolley line are remembered by only a few. The population, however, grew between 1950 and 1957 from 1,250 to 1,485. Many new houses have been built in the past few years mostly along State st. and the Turnpike.

Mrs. Earl Morgan Dies at Age 76

Mrs. Myra E. Morgan, 76, wife of Earl J. Morgan of 31 Logan st., Auburn, died Monday morning in a local nursing home.

Glenn R. Thomas Is Finalist For Science Award

Weedspoor Senior Going To Rochester for Final Rigid Tests

It was announced by the Bausch & Lomb Science Scholarship Committee that Glenn R. Thomas, senior student at Weedspoor Central School, was selected as one of the 30 finalists in the competition for a science scholarship to the University of Rochester.

In February, 1959, the administration and science faculty of Weedspoor Central school selected Thomas as the recipient of the Bausch & Lomb Science Award medal. This medal is awarded at graduation time to the senior who has proven outstanding ability in science subjects.

Each year the Bausch & Lomb Optical Co. offers three science scholarships to outstanding students in science. The scholarships are based on merit, but stipends are based on financial need. They range to a maximum stipend of \$1,500 a year.

The finalists are invited to the University of Rochester as guests of the Bausch & Lomb Optical Co. and the university. They are interviewed, given a battery of aptitude tests and are entertained with all expenses paid by the company during their three-day stay on the University of Rochester Campus.

Weedspoor Church Arranges Luncheon

Mrs. Donald G. Wright, wife of Rev. Wright, pastor of the University Methodist church, Syracuse, will be the guest speaker at the spring luncheon to be held at the Weedspoor Presbyterian church Wednesday, April 22, at 1 p.m.

Buckler Finishes Training Course

Elwin Buckler has finished a six months training course in the U. S. Army at Fort Dix, N.J.

C.D. Drill Friday

Weedspoor will cooperate with the Civil Defense drill about 4:30 Friday. Jack Nolan will be in charge.

This Baby Rich In Grandmothers



WALTER R. PARSONS, 3d. Eight months old Walter Raymond Parsons, 3d, of Fair Haven has the distinction of having eight grandmothers, great grandmothers and one great-great grandmother.

On the paternal or Parsons side of the family are the following: Mrs. Freda Parsons, grandmother; Mrs. Helen Parsons, great-grandmother, and Mrs. Maude Andrews, great-grandmother.

The mother of the baby was formerly Miss Esther Tihy and so on the maternal side are Mrs. Helen Tihy, grandmother; Mrs. Edna Scott, great-grandmother; Mrs. Dora Tihy, great-grandmother; Mrs. Mary Morgan, great-grandmother, and Mrs. Cloc Morgan, great-great-grandmother.

GIRL THROWN AS HORSE FELL

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Mrs. Stearns, 89, Dies at Her Home

Services for Mrs. Hattie Stearns, 89, of Weedspoor, who died Wednesday, April 8 at her home after a long illness, were held at 1 p.m. at the Kelly Funeral home.

The Rev. Ernest Butterfield, pastor of Epworth Methodist church in Elmira, officiated, assisted by the Rev. Charles Walker of Weedspoor First Methodist church.

WEDDINGS

Miss Burch Bride of Weedspoor Man

Miss Barbara Anne Burch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Burch of 11 Sheridan st., Auburn and John B. O'Brien, son of Mr. and Mrs. William O'Brien of Weedspoor, were married at 2 p.m. April 4 in Trinity Methodist church, Auburn.

Pichany Heads Fire Fighters Again

Weedspoor Department Elects, Enjoys Dinner—93 Alarms in Year

The annual report by Chief Ray Pichany of the Weedspoor fire department, covering the period of April 1, 1958 to April 1, 1959, reveals 23 fire alarms, 14 false alarms, two mutual aid calls, one mutual aid drill and 13 siren tests.

This report was given at the annual meeting held Tuesday, April 7, at the Weedspoor fire house. The Women's Auxiliary served a roast beef dinner to 56 members and guests.

School Musicians Get High Rating

The Senior High School Girls Glee Club and the Boys' Chorus of Weedspoor Central School received high ratings at the Cayuga County Vocal Music Festival held at Moravia, April 10.

More than 12 vocal groups performed. Each group chose three selections. Girls' Glee Club sang "Think On Me," by Scott; "All In the April Evening," by Robertson; and "Ave Maria," by Schubert.

Garden Club Hears Talk by Experts

Weedspoor Garden Club met recently at the home of Mrs. Jay Hooper. After a brief business session the meeting was turned over to the Program Chairman, Mrs. Sylvia Whitman who introduced the guest speaker, Mrs. W. W. Cuff of Auburn rd.

Kick-Off Dinner for Little Leaguers

Weedspoor Little League Committee met Tuesday, April 7, at the new Junior-Senior High school. Plans are under way for the annual rummage sale and the mothers are working on a special kick-off dinner for the boys to start the season.

BRUTUS O.E.S. NOTES

Brutus Star chapter met Friday evening. Practice date for the officers has been set for Friday, May 1. Mrs. Claremont Hoyt announced the pilgrimage to Oriskany will be in July, and a box of donations will be at Compton's store, or articles may be left at her home.

BIG THIRD FOR KAREN

Karen Elizabeth Bush celebrated her third birthday on Thursday, April 9, with a party at her home. Guests were her brother David, Peggy and Kathy Ryan, and Mrs. Claude VonNorstrand.

OBSERVE THEIR 50th



MR. AND MRS. WILSON BURNHAM

Tuesday, April 14, marked the 50th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Burnham, who reside east of Westbury. On April 14, 1909, Mary MacKenzie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joel Bickford of Mallorytown, Ontario, Canada, and Wilson Burnham, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Burnham of Caintown, Ontario, Canada, were united in marriage at the George st. Methodist parsonage in Brockville, Canada.

BANDS JOIN IN PROGRAM

Unadilla and Weedspoor Musicians in Concert

This Friday, April 17, will see the first step in a musical exchange program between Unadilla and Weedspoor Central schools.

The Senior Band of Unadilla Central, under direction of Frederick Clinnick, will arrive in Weedspoor Friday noon. After lunch at the school as guests of the host band, the musicians from Unadilla will present a concert at an assembly for the student body.

Immediately following, members of both groups will combine to form a 120 piece band and proceed with rehearsal for a massed-band concert. The concert will be presented that Friday evening at 8:15 in the Junior-Senior High School auditorium, is free-of-charge and open to the public.

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Spring Farm Work Held Up By Wet Soil

Farmers Delayed in Tilling Fields Prepared for Summer Crops

Bright For Fruit

Lateness of Warm Weather Delays Fruit Bud Break

Swollen streams within area covered by The Common Newsapers, bring memories of the vast amount of snow that

Throughout the winter, low are still flooded or so full of water that it is impossible for farmers to prepare the land for planting. Only a few farmers in the area have been able to turn furrows. Among these are these farmers who have had to plant upland gravel soil. In planting has been reported, mostly early peas are put in ground by the middle of the month.

Ordinarily spring rains beat pat down the earth and the spongy soil gaps caused by melting snow, but this year they have been gentle and slow drying out process is slow. Temperatures are low and shine has been lacking.

Despite the intensity of the fruit crop is expected normal, according to Johnstone, fruit expert of Wayne County Farm Bureau Mr. Dubois that some damage to possible been determined, especially in low lying orchards. It is not expected that the damage is very extensive.

The cherry crop is also expected to be about normal. Mr. Johnstone said that if weather conditions main warm buds should appear as they by next week, more complete survey would be made.

THIS WEEK IS LIBRARY WEEK

More Residents Should Visit Their Library

This is National Library Week. A famous author says: "Reading is the most personal, the most honest, the most rewarding occupation left us."

The goal of National Library Week is a better-read, better-informed America. Books, magazines and other products of the printed word are ready and waiting for you at your Weedspoor Free Library.

Mrs. Leta Austin, librarian, is ever ready and willing to help with any reading problem. The library is open Wednesday through Saturday from 2 to 5 p.m. and Friday evening from 7 to 9 p.m. Come in and browse around. There is a complete line of new books, costing about \$400 a year to secure. A complete line of children's books are on hand.

COGNITION BREAK

A large number of Port Masons joined with West and Cato Masonic Lodges annual communion breakfast Wednesday morning. Communion was under the direction of Mr. Walker, pastor, assisted by the pastors of the Presbyterian and Baptist churches, at Breakfast was served in church dining hall by the of the W.S.C.S. and the was given by Ben Hutch Auburn.

P-T.A. Sponsoring Spring Carnival

Weedspoor Parent-Teachers Association will sponsor a spring carnival Saturday, April 18, at the Junior-Senior High school between 3 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. The affair is planned for whole families. There will be games and stunts for all ages and prizes will be given.

Youngster Breaks His Arm in Fall

Billy Keim, seven year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Keim, Weedspoor-Seneca rd., suffered a fractured right arm in a fall last Thursday. He is a second grade pupil at Weedspoor Elementary school.

RETURNS TO COLLEGE

Robert Mappes planned to return to school at Harper College, Endicott, Wednesday. He was confined at Auburn Memorial hospital over the weekend with a knee injury, received while playing basketball during a physical education class at college Thursday of last week. He will have his leg in a cast for three weeks.

In The Service

S/Sgt. Corinne S. Smith the United States Air Force, was seriously injured in a traffic accident in New York City on Easter Monday evening. The band was in New York. She was transferred to Bellevue Hospital and transferred to St. Albans hospital where she underwent surgery. A few days ago she was down to Norton AFB, where she is recuperating. Smith was graduated Weedspoor Central school.

Pvt. David O'Hara, 2nd Lt. Glenn O'Hara Monday, April 5 for St. Germany with the 7th symphony. He will serve from thirteen to six months, and will do a tour with the symphony.