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KOVOVICK HUMS HYMN ON WAY TO SCAFFOLD

Murderer of Contract Samuel T. Fer-For Crime Committed A Year Ago

ARRANGEMENTS

Washington, Pa., Sept. 8.—The last chapter of the eventful life of Milovar Kovovick or Milovar Kovacevic, as his name was learned to be, was ended this morning when the drop fell in the gibbet that hurled the man into eternity.

The condemned man was led from his cell to the scaffold at exactly 10:23 by sheriff Carothers and ex-Deputy Sheriff William Phennecie. He was led on the scaffold and the rope adjusted by Deputy Phennecie and the trap sprung by Sheriff Carothers one minute after the man was led into the rotunda. After the man dropped, his lower limbs twiched and he struggled for a few minutes, but the twitching ing for the grave, and attired himdid not last long. He soon settled, self in a new suit of clothes, new but because of the wonderful vitality shirt, a nobby necktie. cuffs, and even of the man he lived exactly 15 min- a bouquet of flowers in the lapel of utes; his death was due to strangulation.

The execution from beginning to end was carried out without the which he had been confined since the slightest hitch and Sheriff Carothers is receiving deserved congratulations on which the scaffold was erected. from many friends for the excellent During the morning Rev. Longacre, way in which he carried out his arrangements.

out of his cell the last sacraments of the Croatian church were adminis- was also anxious to see the priest of tered by Father Kosevich of Pittsburg. The execution was delayed was delayed a short time as the priest somewhat by the train on which the priest arrived being late. After administering the sacrament the condemned man emerged from the cell led by the deputy, his face frightfully Directors Busy Selecting Teachers Be- Tablet Unveiled in Memory of Dr. Alexcontorted, but chanting a Croatian hymn, which he chanted until the noose was tightened and the black cap township have chosen teachers to sup- presbytery meeting which was held at drawn over his head. The chant ply the following vacancies: Lone Claysville Monday and Tuesday evenended in a gurgle cause by the Pine advanced, Miss Beulah Roney of ing was the unveiling of a tablet in tightening of the rope. The words West Alexander; Chambers, Miss memory of the late Rev. Alexander were in Croatian, but when translated were:

"O farewell. everything in this world, O farewell everything in this world, taught by E. E. McGill of Good In- Harriet McCarrell, a granddaughter so dear. "

"Farewell."

physicians stepped on the platform will be in charge of E. L. Freeland of were made by Rev. W. H. Lester, D. and watched the body closely, keeping Washington. At a meeting of the D., and Rev. Henry Woods, D. D., the time of the pulse and respiration, West Alexander school board Miss Eva and others. pronouncing him dead just 15 minutes Murray of Washington was elected to later: Dr. S. A. Lacock, Canonsburg, teach the primary room in place of and Drs. Scott, McKennan, Teagarden Miss Maude Armstrong. Lewis, Hazlett, Thompson and Wilson of Washington.

as he stood facing the jury, which the members of Pittsburg councils and was composed of J. T. Curran, fore- a large representation of city officials man, Dr. George M. Kelly, L. A. paid a visit to the Pittsburg City Lane, Charles Stratman, John Waltz, farm at Marshalsea yesterday. The William Coursin, DeWitt C. Parkin- party, numbering more than 100, left son, Thomas Hill, James A. Jordan, in a special train in the morning. Louis Reitsch, Brainard Simpson and spent the day at the farm, and re-Ed Myers.

nounced dead his body was cut down the city officials were much pleased and the last rights of the Croatian with their trip. A sumptuous repast church administered by Father Kosh- was served in the middle of the day, evich. The body was then taken in and after the meal a ball game was charge by William Ritche, under- indulged in, much to the amusement taker, and will be shipped to Pitts- of players and spectators. burg this afternoon and will be buried by the Croatian society.

about 200 people who were crowded Circle of the A. M. E. church will! around the three balconies of the jail serve chickens and waffles in the and persons were seen in the crowd Payne hall near the church from 5 from every section of the county and until 8 o'clock. a number from Pittsburg. Among This evening the Rev. Dr. D. F. those who were present were J. A. Bentley of the Euclid avenue A. M. and F. M. Ferguson, brothers of the E. church, will lecture in the Payne murdered man, ex-Sheriff Wlliam Mc- church under the auspices of the Wo-Kinley of Allegheny county, Sheriff men's Mite Missionary society of the Tresher of Westmoreland county and congregation. Doctor Bentley is an Deputy Sheriff Ed Swarwood of Alle- able speaker and his lecture will be gheny county. The crowd was very worth hearing. orderly and no demonstration was On Sabbath the last quarterly conmade at any time during the hanging. ference of the year will be held in the There was but one woman in the as- Payne Place church. The sacrament Two boys escaped from the reform semblage during the execution.

Outside the jail there were several pensed in the afternoon. The ser- were captured at Carnegie last night of the murderer as it was taken from or three ministers from Pittsburg will C divisions, and had been acting as are selling at popular prices. Please National Convention, Fraternal Orthe jail, but no demonstration was also be in attendance and will take messenger boys at the reform school. call and see our goods and give us a der of Eagles, will be sold from all made by them.

Jones were hauged on and was erected TWIN CITY COMPANY in the rotunds of the jail, the trap being on a level with the second floor of the jail. The scaffold worked admirably, there being less than a minute from the time he was taken from Awarded the Contract on Their Bid his cell until he was dangling at the quson Pays the Extreme Penalty end of the rope after a drop of about three feet.

During the trial and his imprisonment Milovar Kovovick has shown little concern regarding his execution OTHER MATTERS BEFORE COUNCIL and has been in the best of spirits most of the time. Though this morning this mask of unconcern was thrown off and it could be plainly seen that he was suffering mental agony and he fully realized the awful penalty he must pay for committing one of the foulest crimes in the annals of crime in Washington county.

He slept soundly during the latter part of the night, going to sleep shortly after midnight and sleeping until nearly 8 o'clock. He ate a hearty breakfast this morning, consisting of canteloupe, ice cream, bread, butter, apple sauce and other delicacies. After eating his breakfast he attired himself with scrupulous care, as he seemed to realize that he was dresshis coat, which he wore at the time of his execution. Later in the morning he was taken from the cell in trial and taken to a cell on the floor who has been doing evangelistic work in Washington and who has been in Previous to the man being brought to see the condemned man several times, was in to see him. Kovovick his own church and the execution was delayed in getting to the jail.

VACANT SCHOOLS SUPPLIED

fore Opening Dates

school directors of Amwell

VISITED THE CITY FARM.

The black cap was put on the man Mayor W. B. Hays, a majority of turned late in the afternoon. The Immediately after the man was pro- farm was in excellent condition, and

A. M. E. CHURCH ITEMS

The execution was witnessed by This evening the Ladies Sewing

of the Lord's Supper will be dis- school at Morganza last evening, but part in the services.

The scaffold on which the man was Pittsburg Conference will meet at Washington Trust Company hanged was the same that Ward and Uniontown on the 8th of October. 4 per cent interest on deposit.

TO PAVE BELMONT AVE.

petitors, to be Completed Nov. 15

Hallam Construction company, they develop some time later. \$4481.40; Peabody, Filbert & Co. \$4530.15. Toronto fire cut vitrified brick are to be used on No. 5 road-

Job Miles was granted a permit to build a three-roomed frame cottage with brick chimney and tin roof on his lot east of the railroad south of East Pike street.

Fred White was present for the fire company and asked council to set time to meet with the fire company and inspect the working of a new shut Linn; treasurer, Mrs. S. J. Cannon. off valve and muzzle. Council agreed to meet the company on Saturday evening of this week.

On motion of Schade the assessment made for paving East College street, sow his wheat. abuting property holders and one- precinct met and tabulated the poll eate that the murder was committed third on the borough, was agreed book and find a nip and tuck pull, by two Croatians, named Milovar as possible. The members present gistered since the township was divi- was learned that they had exchanged were McCahon, Schade, Linn and ded being 206. O'Herron.

MEMORIAL MEETING

ander McCarrell

In connection with the Washington Marie Kennedy. Other vacancies re- McCarrell, D. D. The tablet was cently supplied are the Burnsville ad- presented on behalf of the donors by vanced school in West Finley to be T. B. Craig and unveiled by Miss tent; the Sparta school in Morris of Dr. McCarrell. It was received on Just as the drop fell he cried loudly township will be in charge of R. M. behalf of the congregation of the Patterson of Venetia and the Meadow Presbyterian church by the pastor, After the drop fell the following Lands school in Chartiers township Rev. Frank Fish, D. D. Addresses

DEMOCRATIC CONFERENCE

The Democratic conference of the Twenty-fourth Congressional district, composed of Washington. Beaver and Lawrence counties, will be held at on Saturday, September 17, at 2:30 lock. p. m., to select a candidate to oppose E. F. Acheson, the Republican nominee The conference will be com- pump station, preparatory to start- for more than 50 hours. A motion posed of 14 delegates-seven representing Washington county, four from Beaver and three from Lawrence.

The delegation from Washington county was named by the county con- cess to you boys. vention and is composed as follows: W. B. Chambers, Canonsburg; E. C. Horn, Amwell township; James Corrin, Monongahela; W. A. Furlong, pays for the use of the 'phone? Roscoe; Dr. C. C. Craeraft, Claysville; H. T. Ghrist, California; John W McDowell, Washington.

IRON MILL PAYS DIVIDEND

The reports made at the meeting of the stockholders of the Canonsburg Steel & Iron company on Tuesday showed the affairs of the company to be in a prosperous condition. After the adjournment of the stockholders the board of directors met, reorganized and decided to declare a dividend of 3 per cent, payable after October 1

THEIR FREEDOM WAS BRIEF

CHURCH SOCIETY MEETINGS

Methodist Ladies Elect Officers For the Coming Year

The Ladies' Aid Society of the First Methodist Episcopal church of \$4386.14, Against Three Com- held its monthly meeting Tuesday One of the Most Diabolical in Anevening at the home of Mrs. I. B. Linn, West Pike street. Officers for the coming year were elected as fol-

President, Mrs. S. J. Cannon; first vice president, Mrs. Linn; second The town council last night let to vice president, Mrs. Sewell Ayers; the Twin City Construction company third vice president, Mrs. Charles Ashof Pittsburg the contract for the grad- baugh; treasurer; Mrs. Henry Sheaff; nalty of the law was one of the most ing, paving and curbing of Belmont secretary, Mrs. George Hamilton. avenue from Pike street to Elm street. The society has had a very successful ington county, or in Western Penn-The work is to be completed by No- year, and has made a considerable sylvania. The murder of Contractor vember 15. There were four bids sub- amount of money, which was devoted Samuel T. Ferguson is too fresh in mitted, that of the Twin City com- to church purposes. The members the public mind to require a history pany being the lowest, \$4386.14. The have in contemplation some matters at this time. Ferguson was killed other bids were J. McNary, \$4417.40; which will interest the public when Friday afternoon, September, 25, 1903,

The Ladies' Missionary society of the same church met in the church Friday evening last and went over the reports for the past conference year. These were very encouraging. Among other business transacted was the election of new officers, which resulted as follows: President, Miss Emma Mc-Peake; vice president, Mrs R. Y Hemphill; recording secretary, Mrs. Ayers; corresponding secretary, Mrs.

NORTH STRABANE ITEMS

each finished filling their silos and the two men had sailed on the steamboth had ensilage corn to spare.

home from Donora, where they were ing to go to their native land. engaged hauling pipe for a gas line. Supt. McQuaide and Detective two weeks' visit at her mother's, Mrs. the case, and Kovovick and Pattro-

Anna B. Pollock. in full blast, with from 12 to about where they were detained in prison, 50 scholars, Linden being banner pending the receipt of extradition school with 48 on the roll the first papers from the United States. These Miss Stewart; Linden, Miss Donnelly, 19.

completed.

after spending some time visiting overruled by Judge Taylor, and the James Niels and other relatives.

Mt. Oliver last week, after spending | Pattrovick was tried as an accomthe Monongahela house, Pittsburg, a month with her friend, Susan Pol- plice in the same crime, at the May

are repairing and painting Linden turned after the jury had been out

embarked in the threshing business years in the penitentiary. with Frank Catlin as assistant. Suc-

The supervisors are using the telephones to warn the contractors to fix their roads. Wonder if the township

on the sick list since last April, is able | coast points, to Montana, Idaho and to be around, and took a drive to the Northwest, will be in effect from Canonsburg on the 8th of this month. all stations on Pennsylvania Lines. ton are plowing up sod fields to sow ticket agent of those lines. in wheat.

blacksmith business at his new shop on the Robert Wilson farm.

for farm gates. That looks good and practical.

business with their sawmill on the formation by cailing at the office, place formerly owned by William corper Bean and Main streets, or by writing to Louis Van Orden, princi-Watson.

CANONSBURG CANDY KITCHEN.

We have now in stock a large vahundred persons gathered anxiously mon for the occasion will be preached and have been returned to the insti- riety of pure home-made candies, in waiting to get a glimpse of the body by Dr. Calliman of Washington. Two tution. The boys were from B and bulk and in fancy boxes, which we cursion tickets to Baltimore, account trial order. Canonsburg Candy Kitch. stations on Pennsylvania Lines. For full information regarding fares, time en, Trust company's new building, of trains, etc., call on Local Ticket Pike street.

THE CRIME FOR WHICH KOVOVICK WAS HANGED

Murder of Contractor Ferguson Was nals of County's Criminal History

FLED TO ENGLAND, AND CAPTURED

The crime for which Milovar Kovovick today paid the extreme pediabolical ever committed in Washwhile driving along a public road leading from West Middletown to the Ferguson camp on the Wabash raitroad. The deed was committed by means of dynamite placed in a culvert under the road, and at the instant Ferguson and his bookkeeper, Chas. T. Martin, were driving over the culvert the dynamite was set off by means of a battery located some distance above the road. Ferguson was killed instantly, Martin was badly injured, the horses were killed and the buggy demolished.

The murder was effected by novel means, and it created the greatest excitement. Many clues were taken up, Park Weaver is the first man to soon to be dropped. Finally, in October, some fragmentary evidence obassessing two-thirds of the costs on the The Vigilance committee of the 1st tained by the officials seemed to indito. Notices will be sent out as soon there being the largest number re- Kovovick and Milovar Pattrovick. It a considerable amount of money at a McIlvaine and Mollenauer have Pittsburg bank. It was found that ship Philadelph'a from New York Charley, Lew and Dell Pollock are for Southampton, England, intend-

Bessie J. Campbell and family of Richard Kelly of the Pittsburg bu-Midway have returned home after a reau of detectives went to work on vick were arrested on their landing The schools of North Strabane are at Southampton and taken to London, week. The teachers are: Scotts, Miss were finally procured, and the men Rosel; Brownlee, Miss Knapp; Christy, accussed of the murder were brought Miss Pollock; McBrides, Miss Paden; to America, being placed in the Hardy's, Miss Walker; McClellands. Washington county jail on December

The school board contemplates The trial of Kovovick was begun starting a high school this winter as on Monday, February 15, and consoon as necessary arrangements are cluded on Saturday evening, February 20, when a verdict of guilty of Miss Sallie Caldwell and grandson, murder in the first degree was re-John, have returned to Allegheny turned. A motion for a new trial was governor early in July fixed Septem-Erma Bennett returned home to ber 8th as the date of execution.

term of court. A verdict of guilty of The Manufacturers Gas company murder in the second degree was reing up after a lay off of three winters. for a new trial was overruled, and he Scott and Charley Hickson have was given the extreme penalty of 20

Special Fares to Pacific Coast via Penna sylvania Lines

September 5th to October 15th, inclusive, one-way second-class colonist Mrs. O. C. Pollock, who has been fare to California and North Pacific L. J. Kenamond and David Temple. For full particulars, call on local

Read The Daily Notes and keep Hussler Phillips is doing a big posted on what is going on in the community.

Perrine & Phillips are selling rights | Washington Business College and Normal School

Fall term in all departments begins Doc and Edd Bush are doing a good | September 5. Catalogues and full in.

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September 9th, 10th and 11th, ex-3213-3 Agent of these lines.