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ADDITIONAL LOCAL NEWS.

INTERESTING SESSION OF BOROUGH COUNCIL.—Six members were present at the regular meeting of borough council on Monday evening, the absentees being Harris, Haupt and Nagney. Isaac Underwood was present and gave council testimonials as to the high qualities of the Emerson road roller and also two contracts in blank in the event they concluded to purchase said roller. The matter was held for reference to the chairman of the Street committee, who was not present.

Burgess Edmund Blanchard stated that complaint had been made to him of the condition of the gutter along the old Undine hose house on east Logan street, which is deemed very unsanitary. Secretary Kelly stated that the matter had already been called to the attention of W. G. Runkle, who has charge of the property, and he has promised to abate the nuisance within the next few days.

Residents of the south side of east Curtin street presented a complaint about the dangerous condition of the pavement along a vacant lot adjoining the home of Thomas Todsock and asked that the same be put in a safe condition. The property is assessed as "owner unknown" and the matter was referred to the Street committee.

Secretary Kelly presented a contract from the State Highway Department for repairs and maintenance of the state road within the borough limits. At the last meeting of council Mr. Harris, of the Street committee, was empowered to join with the Highway Department in having necessary repairs made to the road at a cost not to exceed \$600, the borough's share to be fifty per cent. of the total cost. The contract submitted was in conformity with the above, except that there was a proviso that in all cases highway engineers were to furnish an estimate of the cost in advance. Inasmuch as Mr. Harris was absent the matter was held over until he was present.

The Water committee reported repairing the fireplug at the intersection of Lamb and Thomas streets and that the plug in the water works yard and the one at L. H. Gettig's also need repairing. Mr. Seibert also reported the treasurer's receipt for ten dollars for drinking cups used at the big spring.

The Fire and Police committee reported the Burgess' check for \$40.00 for fines and licenses collected during the past five weeks.

The Sanitary committee reported that so far the nuisances complained of in the rear of the Bush Arcade and in the rear of certain stores on Allegheny street have not been abated, although they have been promised that the latter will be attended to soon.

The Finance committee presented the following notes for renewal: One for \$1,000 and one \$700 dated September 4th; \$2,000 September 8th; \$1,000 September 21st; \$5,500 and \$1,200 September 26th, all for six months and a note for \$2,000 to be increased to \$6,500 for two months from October 20th, all of which were authorized. The committee also reported that the borough duplicate had been completed and the amounts assessed were as follows: For borough purposes \$5,164.68; interest, \$8,629.86; street, \$10,365.81, a total of \$24,160.35. This does not include the water tax and meter bills which are approximately \$10,000.

The Special committee presented the agreement in triplicate made with the State-Centre Electric company for lighting the streets and recommended that the same be accepted and executed. The agreement corresponds with prices, etc., as given in the WATCHMAN five weeks ago, and is to cover a period of nine years dating from October 1st, 1915. The agreement was ratified by the unanimous vote of the six councilmen present. The agreement will now have to go to the Public Service Commission for its endorsement.

An ordinance authorizing the appointment of a shade tree commission passed first reading. It is to take the place of a similar ordinance presented some weeks ago providing for the appointment of a shade tree and park playground commission, and is more limited in the power conferred than the latter would have been.

Bills to the amount of \$1,810.05 were approved and council adjourned.

On Friday of last week Fish O'Hearn, of DuBois, salesman of acetylene light plants, was returning to Bellefonte in one of D. Wagner Geiss' livery rigs from a trip down Nittany valley. In the vicinity of Zion, he heard an automobile signal for part of the highway but before he could turn out a big machine swooped down upon him and side-swiped the rig, bending the rear axle and discharging the left hind wheel. The man gave his name as A. Lunk, of Saxton, Bedford county, but protested his non-liability owing to Mr. O'Hearn not getting out of his road quick enough. Mr. Geiss, however, will bring action to compel him to settle.

Non-Partisan Unofficial Vote on Republican Primary Ticket.

Table with columns for Boroughs and Townships, and candidates for various offices including Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, Sheriff, Treasurer, Register, Recorder, County Commis., Dis. Atty, and Auditor. Lists names and vote counts for candidates like Johnson, O'Neil, Quader, etc.

Totals: 504 1301 1824 2543 865 13554 7233 1593 1815 1161 1101 1323 1387 3259 2365 1777 941 799

RINE.—Mrs. Malinda Evans Rine, wife of James H. Rine, died at her home on west High street, at 11:20 o'clock Sunday morning, after a prolonged illness with cancer of the stomach.

She was a daughter of James and Elizabeth Evans Shultz and was born at Curtin on August 9th, 1852, making her age 63 years, 1 month and 10 days. On March 11th, 1880, she was married to Mr. Rine at Curtin and ever since they made their home in Bellefonte. She was a true christian woman and her death is mourned by a wide circle of friends. In addition to her husband she is survived by three children, Mrs. C. E. Faust, of Bellwood; Clarence and Grace, at home. She also leaves the following brothers and sisters: Alfred Shultz, of Williamsport; John, of Newport, Ky.; Mrs. Henry Lucas, of Greensburg; Mrs. Sherry Smith, of Canton, Ohio; Mrs. Carrie Llewellyn, also living in Ohio; Mrs. Alfred Hoy, of New Kensington, and Miss Rachael Shultz, of Utica, Ohio.

She was a member of the Methodist church and Rev. E. H. Yocum had charge of the funeral services which were held at two o'clock on Wednesday afternoon, burial being made in the Union cemetery.

SHUEY.—Jonathan Shuey, a veteran of the Civil war and one of College township's oldest residents, died on Thursday last week as the result of a stroke of paralysis. He was a son of Peter and Catharine Eters Shuey and was born near State College on September 15th, 1826, hence at his death was 89 years and 1 day old. His entire life was spent on the farm near State College. He was a faithful member of the United Evangelical church for over three quarters of a century. In politics he was a Republican.

Sixty-six years ago he was united in marriage to Mary Coble who survives with two sons, Milton and George C. Shuey, on the old homestead. Funeral services were held at ten o'clock on Saturday morning by Revs. Foss, Johnson and Shuey, after which burial was made in the Houserville cemetery.

WITTER.—Following an illness of three years or more with heart trouble Mrs. Isabella Moore Witter, wife of A. A. Witter, of Tyrone, died at an early hour Saturday morning, aged 69 years, 5 months and 2 days. She was a daughter of John and Elvira Moore, of Erie, and was the last of a family of seven children. She had been a resident of Tyrone thirty-six years and was quite well known in Bellefonte. In addition to her husband she leaves two sons and one daughter, namely: Charles T. Witter, operator and extra train dispatcher at Renovo; Dr. James A. Witter and Mrs. William H. Agnew, of Tyrone. She was a life-long member of the Presbyterian church. Rev. Beiber had charge of the funeral services which were held at three o'clock on Monday afternoon, after which burial was made in the Grandview cemetery, Tyrone.

LOVENE.—James Lovene a native of Italy, died at the Bellefonte hospital on Friday of last week, of shock, occasioned from a crushed thigh sustained in an explosion at the Chemical Limestone company's plant the day previous. He was a son of Diamond Lovene and was born in Italy on August 16th, 1890, hence was 25 years, 1 month and 2 days old. He leaves a wife and child in his native country. Burial was made in the Catholic cemetery on Tuesday morning.

MORGAN.—Miss Rosie Morgan died on Saturday morning at the home of her father, James J. Morgan, in Snow Shoe, following a prolonged illness with tuberculosis. She was nineteen years of age and is survived by her father, two brothers and two sisters. The funeral was held at 9:30 o'clock on Tuesday morning, burial being made in the Catholic cemetery at Snow Shoe.

McGHEE.—John McGhee, a life-long resident and one of the best known men of Beech Creek, died at his home in that place on Monday afternoon, following three week's illness as the result of a stroke of paralysis.

Deceased was born in Beech Creek township, Clinton county, over eighty-six years ago. In early life he followed the occupation of a shoemaker and later engaged in the lumbering business. In 1885 he erected a saw mill at Mill Hill which he operated six years then returned to Beech Creek and opened a general store.

During the Civil war he served a few months in the Eighty-seventh regiment, Pennsylvania militia.

When twenty-six years of age Mr. McGhee was elected a justice of the peace of Beech Creek township and served continuously for thirty-five years. He was a member of the Methodist church all his life and a man who had the esteem of a large circle of friends. He is survived by his wife, three sons and two daughters. The funeral was held at 9:30 o'clock yesterday morning, burial being made in the Disciple cemetery at Blanchard.

ROTHROCK.—Following an illness of several months with a complication of diseases Arthur R. Rothrock died at his home at Pleasant Gap at five o'clock on Monday evening.

He was a son of Henry and Mary Rothrock and was born on the old homestead at Nigh bank, being at his death 49 years, 2 months and 27 days old. He is survived by his wife, who prior to her marriage was Miss Emma J. McLint, of Niagara Falls; one daughter, Lila Mary; his mother and two brothers, George, of Alexandria, N. Y., and James, of Nigh Bank. Funeral services were held at his late home at two o'clock yesterday afternoon by Revs. Yocum, Shuey and McKechnie, after which burial was made in the Union cemetery.

FATAL FALL FROM TRAIN.—Charles J. Witmer, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Witmer, of this place, and who was employed as a brakeman on the Pennsylvania railroad running between Altoona and Pitscairn, fell from his train at Shafton at 9:30 o'clock on Tuesday night and was so badly injured that he died in the Greensburg hospital on Wednesday morning. The train had stopped at Shafton to do some shifting after which Witmer climbed on top of a box car to signal the engineer. He then started to climb down another car and in the dark failed to notice that it was not equipped with the regulation ladder required by law, and failing to find a foothold he fell to the track. The train passed over him, cutting off his left arm, left leg and badly crushing the body.

The unfortunate man was born in Bellefonte and was thirty years old. He went to Altoona thirteen years ago and during the past ten years has worked on the railroad. He is survived by his wife and four children, Edward, Alfred, Evelyn and Edna. He also leaves his parents residing on Reynolds avenue, three brothers and one sister, namely: John, somewhere in the west; Edward, of Chicago; Russell, at home, and Mrs. Jennie Symmonds, of Bellefonte. He was a member of the Presbyterian church and of the P. R. R. relief association. The remains will be brought to Bellefonte this (Friday) morning and the funeral held this afternoon. Burial will be made in Meyer's cemetery.

SANKEY.—Miss Alda Sankey, a former well known resident of Potter township, died at the home of her brother-in-law, Porter Odenkirk, at Lewistown, on Monday evening. She had not been in good health for some time but since the death of her sister had lived with her brother-in-law and looked after his three children. She is survived by one sister, Mrs. James Gregg, of State College. The remains were brought over the Seven mountains by automobile yesterday and burial was made at Centre Hall.

PERRY.—LUCAS.—William Perry, of Altoona, and Miss Rebecca Lucas, of Howard, this county, were married at St. Paul's Lutheran church, Cumberland, Md., on September 17th, by the pastor, Rev. M. L. Enders. The young couple will make their home in Altoona where Mr. Perry is a machinist in the Pennsylvania railroad shops.

WAGNER.—CONFER.—Russell F. Wagner and Miss Flossie G. Confer, both of Howard, were married on Thursday evening of last week at the parsonage of St. Luke's Reformed church, Lock Haven, by the pastor, Rev. William E. Harr. Mr. and Mrs. Wagner will make their home in Howard.

DUNKLEBARGER.—GETTIG.—Alfred G. Dunklebarger, of Pleasant Gap, and Miss Anna M. Gettig, of Zion, were married on Wednesday of last week, at the Methodist parsonage in this place by the pastor, Rev. E. H. Yocum.

ROCKEY.—FOOR.—On Tuesday of last week Henry C. Rockey and Miss Mary Kathryn Foor, both of Fillmore, were united in marriage at the parsonage of the Methodist church by the pastor, Rev. E. H. Yocum.

MILES.—SMITH.—On Wednesday of last week Chester T. Miles and Miss Olive B. Smith, both of Altoona, came to Bellefonte and were united in marriage at the Methodist parsonage by Rev. E. H. Yocum.

—Have your Job Work done here.

With the Churches of the Explorer Safe Finds New Land.

Notes of Interest to Church People of all Denominations in all Parts of the County.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY. Service Sunday 11:00 a. m. Wednesday 8 p. m., 9 1/2 E. High street.

Harvest Home will be observed in the United Evangelical church on Sunday, September 26th. The church will be fittingly decorated and special sermons will be preached for the occasion. You are invited to these services.

THE BALD EAGLE CANAL.—A reader of the WATCHMAN in Marietta, Pa., would like information regarding the old Bald Eagle canal. The only information now at hand is contained in the following excerpt from "The Industries and Institutions of Centre County," published by Richie and Maynard in 1877:

On the 14th of April, 1834, the Bald Eagle and Spring Creek Navigation company was incorporated, with authority to construct a canal from the state works at Lock Haven to Bellefonte, a distance of twenty-five miles. This work was completed in 1846 at a cost of a little more than \$11,500 per mile. It had twenty-two lift locks, six guard locks and ten dams. The company was composed of the following members: Roland Curtin, Thomas Burnside, Bond Valentine, James Irvin, William W. Potter, Joseph Harris, Joseph Miles, John Rankin and Andrew Gregg, Jr., of Centre county, and Richard Peters and Jacob Lex, of Philadelphia.

The opening of this canal was an important event in the history of Bellefonte and Bald Eagle valley, affording, as it did, a greatly desired means of transportation for the products of the forest and farm, as well as those of the furnace and the forge. After the completion of the Bald Eagle Valley railroad the western portion of the canal was abandoned, having been rendered unavailing by the extraordinary freshet of 1865.

BELLEFONTE MAN THIRD IN RACE.—The Philadelphia Press is conducting a contest for the most popular conductor on the Williamsport and Renovo divisions—the low grade branch of the Allegheny division Johnsonburg railroad and the Ridgway branch of the Pennsylvania railroad. The contest started on August 12th and will close at midnight October 9th. Prizes will be awarded the first three conductors in the race, with a diamond ring to the wife, daughter or sweetheart of the winning conductor.

Bellefonte is represented in the contest by George E. Lentz, conductor on the Lewisburg and Tyrone passenger train, who according to the announcement in yesterday's Press stood first in the race with 401,221 votes. The two men who are nearest him are H. A. Peters, of Harrisburg, with 395,037 votes and W. P. Whitehouse, of Ridgway, with 377,809 votes. Conductor Lentz is now heart and soul in the contest and will endeavor to win first prize, if possible.

On Thursday evening of last week Earl Rimmey and Miss Elsie Herman, of Pleasant Gap, were on their way home from the Granger's picnic their rig was run into by an automobile driven by Edmund Thompson. The machine caught the front wheel pulling the shafts from the horse and badly wrecking the vehicle. Both occupants of the buggy were thrown over the dash into the roadway and sustained a number of cuts and bruises, Miss Herman being the most unfortunate. The accident happened between Centre Hall and the picnic grounds. Miss Herman is teacher of the Axe Mann school and has been unable to teach since.

IN SOCIETY.—Mrs. Archibald Allison entertained Friday night of last week with a dinner, for which twelve covers were laid.

Mrs. W. Harrison Walker was hostess at a dinner at the Country Club Monday, the first of a series Mrs. Walker will give.

Mrs. J. Coburn Rogers celebrated the seventh birthday of her daughter Evelyn, Saturday, by entertaining a number of the child's friends.

CANDYLAND DECLARES WAR ON COMPETITION.—The patrons of Candyland will enjoy the hot chocolates of the famous imported Van Houton's cocoa, with whipped cream and Saratoga wafers, at the half price paid last year. All hot drinks, hot chocolate, tomato bouillon, beef bouillon for five cents a cup. New patrons are cordially invited to try our famous hot chocolates.—GREGORY BROS. 38-1t

Strawbridge & Clothier's salesman will be at the Bush house Wednesday, October 6th, with a full line of coats and suits. Special measurements taken.—ARKEN'S. 38-1t

British Transport Sunk. An Austrian submarine commanded by Lieutenant von Trapp torpedoed and sank a large British transport a few days ago in the southern Atlantic, according to an announcement made in Vienna.

Girl Accused of Killing Father. Miss Dora Kidd, twenty years old, was arrested at her home near Lowville, Va., charged with shooting her father to death with a shot gun because he was whipping one of his children.

Woman Unable to Get Drugs Dosed. Unable to get drugs without a doctor's prescription, Mrs. Clara Henry, of Columbia, Pa., died in the Columbia Hospital.

Alabama Rejects Suffrage. Equal suffrage was defeated in Alabama. The senate rejected a bill 21 to 10.

Recounts His Thrilling Quest in the Frozen Arctic for 'Shew' of Polar Continent.

Vilhjalmur Stefansson, the Canadian explorer, who was believed lost in the Arctic, not only is alive and well, but has discovered a new land in the north and accomplished practically every purpose for which his hazardous journey was undertaken, according to word brought to Nome, Alaska, by the power schooner Ruby, which arrived from Heschel Island.

Stefansson, with two companions, Storker Storkerson and Ole Anderson, set out from Martin Point, Alaska, March 22, 1914, over the frozen polar ocean in search for supposed new lands in the Beaufort sea. Captain S. F. Cottle, master of the Ruby, says that Stefansson is now on Banks Land, east of the Mackenzie, outfitting for continuance of the explorations to the westward to ascertain the full extent of the new land he has discovered southwest of Prince Patrick Island. Stefansson discovered a continuous range of the continental shelf several degrees west of Banks Land and even determined its southern limits, but was unable to continue his explorations to the north and west.

Stefansson told Captain Cottle that after leaving the supporting party on the ice north of Martin Point he and his hairy companions set their faces to the north, but after continuing their journey ninety days they decided to return to land. They turned back and landed on the mainland at a point near which the power boat Mary Sachs, of the Stefansson expedition, was wintering. Here the three men outfitting for another three months' trip. They again went upon the ice, going north and west and discovering the continental shelf.

Stefansson spent some time exploring his new find, but at length, owing to scarcity of provisions, was compelled to set out on the return journey to land. The men had been on the ice for nearly seven months. The return to shore was accomplished with great difficulty. The men subsisted on the most meager rations, but kept moving day after day. The dogs were almost famished. Finally the party arrived at Banks Land, thoroughly worn out. For seven months they had been on scanty rations, traveling almost continually.

Stefansson and his companions made their way from Banks Land, which is uninhabited, to Baillie Island, which is visited by whalers. Captain Louis Lane, cruising on his power schooner Polar Bear, found Stefansson and his companions making their way along the southwestern coast of Baillie Island. They were in excellent health and spirits and eager to reach the southern wing of the expedition, that they might obtain supplies and continue their explorations. Stefansson had expected to fall in with the Polar Bear, just as he did. He immediately chartered the schooner and, with Captain Lane, proceeded northward at once in the hope of making further discoveries while the sea was open and free of ice. The season was too far advanced, however, and the explorers reluctantly steered for Herschel Island.

Britain Seizes U. S. Cargoes. The British prize court in London condemned the greater part of the American products forming the cargoes of four steamships.

The products, valued at many million dollars, are declared forfeit to the crown.

The meat cargoes, shipped for the most part by the great American packing companies and valued by them at \$15,000,000, were found by the president to be destined, except for some small items, not for consumption in Denmark, but for delivery in Germany. He held that their eventual destination was the German government, for the use of its naval and military forces. To rule otherwise, Sir Samuel said, would be to allow one's eyes to be blinded by theories and technicalities.

Seeks \$5000 Damages for False Arrest Suit was filed in Reading, Pa., by Joseph Weber for his son, Nicholas Weber, against John Klein, his son, Joseph Klein, and City Detectives Peter S. McGovern and Edward T. Hallissey for \$5000 damages for alleged illegal arrest and imprisonment. The allegations are that the detectives arrested Nicholas Weber, twenty years old, on suspicion of the theft of \$830 from the Kleins, and, after subjecting him to third degree methods, were compelled to release him for lack of evidence half an hour after his arrest.

Boys Operate on Chum. As the result of permitting two of his young friends to perform an operation on him, Howard Bruce, aged twelve years, of New Castle, Del., is suffering from gangrene and tetanus and is in a serious condition. Several days ago while Bruce was handling a rifle the weapon was accidentally discharged and the bullet lodged in his right foot. Two of his friends got a razor and cut the bullet out. Several days later blood poisoning set in.