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Tuesday's Election Returns.

The February election for borough and township officers was held on Tuesday and was characterized principally by the light vote cast all over the county; a fact that can easily be accounted for by the bad condition of the country roads and the indisposition of many people to go to the polls if the weather is the least bit cold.

In Belleville the Democrats elected most of their prominent candidates. The only nomination the party made on the borough ticket was P. H. Gherity for overseer of the poor and he was elected over James Rine, the Republican nominee, by 104 of a majority. The rest of the borough ticket, W. B. Rankin, for treasurer; Maurice A. Jackson, auditor, and Leander Green, high constable, all Republicans, were elected. One of the biggest victories for the Democrats, perhaps, was in the strongly Republican North ward where J. C. Harper was elected constable over Clement Dale Esq., by 49 of a majority. In the South ward W. Fred Musser was elected constable over Dr. E. S. Dorworth by 115 majority, possibly the largest majority ever given any candidate for a borough office in that ward. In the West ward Dr. M. A. Kirk was elected over Darius Waite by 11 majority, even against the most strenuous opposition, some of which was from members of his own party. The election of the three Democratic councilmen will leave the next council with a representation of only two Republicans. For school director the Democrats elected their candidates in both the South and West wards while the Republican candidate was elected in the North.

Throughout the county Snow Shoe borough returned a sweeping victory for the Citizens ticket against one of Republicans and Democrats mixed. In Walker township there was more cutting and slashing than in any other precinct in the county but the result was about even. Other townships stood by their guns in about the same way they have for years. Four townships in the county voted on the question of substituting a cash tax for a work tax for road purposes and in only one, Harris, did the proposition carry. The four townships in question and the vote for and against are as follows:

Table with 3 columns: Township, For, Against. Rows include Harris, Spring, Worth, etc.

The complete returns from Belleville and Centre county are as follows.

Large table of election results for various townships and boroughs, listing candidates and vote counts.

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They will have as their guests the G. A. R., Spanish-American war veterans, members of Co. B 5th Reg. N. G. P., Sons of American Revolution, members of the Order of Cincinnati. Daughters of the Daughters will serve the refreshments.

WHAT CAN BE DONE WITH ELECTRICITY.—Since the Belleville Electric company has remodeled their plant and increased the equipment with another engine and set of dynamos they contemplate starting a day service, providing enough patrons can be obtained to justify the expense. This latter fact they must know inside of a few weeks as it is the intention to begin the service April first, if it is begun at all. In order to show the people of Belleville the manifold uses to which electricity can be put as well as the advantages in its favor so far as cost and simplicity are concerned they are arranging to give an exhibition and demonstration in Belleville in the near future, if a suitable room can be secured. The exhibition will include everything in the way of electric illumination and the demonstration will show a line of electric motors, fans, heating apparatus, electric smoothing irons and a dozen other inventions that are already world-wide and acknowledged successes. Such a display will be unusually interesting and should be seen by everybody who in any way uses or contemplates using electricity in any way whatever.

The borough of Howard is in darkness these nights with no prospects of illumination in the immediate future. The streets are equipped with gasoline lamps but since Russell Solt was so badly burned by an explosion of gasoline several months ago that he died no person can be obtained to attend to the lights and they naturally remain unlighted. W. H. Long recently submitted a proposition to the borough council to light the streets with electric light and after the privilege being granted and had most all the poles erected the contract has been held up because the people are afraid the project may prove a little too expensive; and because of this fact the town must remain in darkness until the troublesome question is settled. With a growing town like Howard it would seem as if electric light, or at least some of the modern methods of lighting, would be the only appropriate way of illuminating the streets of the borough.

THAT ART EXHIBIT.—For fifteen cents you can go to Petriken hall and see a wonderful collection of two hundred reproductions of the world's most famous paintings, and the price is remarkably cheap when you see the exhibit. It opened yesterday for the first and everybody who visited the room was surprised at the good collection of works of art there displayed. We have not the space to enter on a description of the display; and at best it must be seen to be appreciated, so we can only say that you will never regret the small fee charged to see it. And as the object is for the benefit of the public schools of Belleville it is one worthy of the patronage of all. The exhibit will be open today and tomorrow and should be visited by every man, woman and child of Belleville who can do so.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.—The following marriage licenses were issued the past week by Register Earl C. Tuten.

Luther G. Peters, of Oak Hall, and Cora B. McClintock, of Linden Hall.

Frank Confer and Mary Hosterman, both of Woodward.

Charles B. Shope and Ida Lyons, both of Belleville.

Arthur N. Vonada and Kathryn E. Soehafer, both Zion.

J. Clayton Stover and Phyllis Atherton, both of Phillipsburg.

Fine Grove Mentions.

On account of the bad roads a light vote was out.

Wm. Wilson spent Sunday with his parents at Charter Oak.

Alf. Bowser, of Altoona, came down for the O. I. A. banquet.

George Potter will be the tenant on E. C. Musser's farm next season.

H. A. Garner has leased the Knox farm on Buffalo run for next season.

Friends Smith is rustiating some of his children anxiously awaiting a job.

Harry Rossman is among the lay offs from the Bald Eagle Valley railroad force.

Otis and Samuel Corl are among the new subscribers on the new Commercial line.

John Hubler, wife and little Maude were Sunday visitors at the old Hubler home.

James C. Gilliland, who has been confined to his room for several weeks, is around.

Miss Laura Gregory, of Dickinson College, was visiting friends in this section last week.

Mrs. George Mayes and two children were visitors at the Daniel Irvin home last week.

All last week a shovel brigade was busy opening up the roads but the end is not yet.

A. M. Brown shipped a car load of horses and mules, Tuesday, to the eastern market.

You don't want to miss the High school exercises or banquet in the I. O. O. F. hall tonight.

Miss Beacie McManus, of Manor Hill, is spending this week among her many friends in town.

John C. Dunlap, who is holding down a clerical job at Emigh, is home nursing a sore arm.

Rev. John C. McCracken, of Pittsburg, was a visitor at his parental home in the Glades last week.

Our man of hammer and tongs, William Collins, is visiting his sons at Wilmerding this week.

J. A. Hoover, of Centre Hall, is circulating