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BOROUGH COUNCIL MELANGE.

Considerable Business Before Borough Fathers Monday.

Monday evening's meeting of borough council was well attended, only one absentee being noted.

James R. Hughes again appeared before council in regard to the condemnation of a strip of land on the east end of the N. R. Miller property to afford him an alley for the purpose of removing the ashes from his heating plant.

John J. Bowler, representing the Logan fire company, presented a request for a special appropriation of \$1,000 to remodel and equip the Peerless automobile the company recently purchased from Col. W. Fred Reynolds into an up-to-date chemical and hose wagon.

Burgess W. Harrison Walker was present and stated that he had directed the police to kill all unlicensed dogs they found running the streets and that several canines had already been killed.

The Water committee reported that the pump at the Phoenix mill has been repaired and put in good condition and that the one at the regular pumping station is now being overhauled.

On motion of Mr. Flack the annual appropriation of \$250 was made to each of the fire companies.

Bills to the amount of \$1,066.51 were approved and council adjourned.

When The Pennsylvania State College celebrates its wartime commencement, on April 24, a Senior class of approximately 250 will be graduated.

YOUNG.—George W. Young, a former resident of Bellefonte and a veteran of the Civil war, died last Thursday morning at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Wesley O'Day, at Northumberland, as the result of a general breakdown.

He was born near Bellefonte and was 80 years, 11 months and 13 days old. When the Civil war broke out and the President called for volunteers Mr. Young enlisted as a member of Company A, 45th P. V. I., and when his term of enlistment expired re-enlisted in Company I, 6th cavalry. He was wounded in service and carried a bullet in his body the balance of his life, even to the grave.

Mrs. Young died four years ago but surviving the deceased are the following children: Andrew B. Young, foreman in the "Watchman" office, Bellefonte; Mrs. J. M. Harris, of Newark, N. J.; Mrs. Kirk Tate, of Lock Haven; Mrs. Charles Kamendeiner, of Clearfield, and Mrs. Wesley O'Day, of Northumberland. He also leaves one sister, Mrs. Crissie Brooks, of Milton, who is in her 83rd year.

Funeral services were held at the O'Day home in Northumberland at 2:30 o'clock on Sunday afternoon and on Monday morning the remains were taken to Jersey Shore for burial.

PATTON.—Following an illness of more than a year with a complication of diseases Mrs. Martha Blanche Patton, wife of Robert A. Patton, of Port Matilda, passed away at her home in that place at 6:45 o'clock last Friday morning.

Her maiden name was Welsh and she was born in Sinking valley on August 24th, 1864, hence had reached the age of 53 years, 6 months and 22 days. She became a member of the Methodist church when a girl and all her life took an active part in all kinds of church work.

On July 3rd, 1883, she was united in marriage to Robert Patton and most of their married life was spent at Port Matilda. In addition to her husband she is survived by the following children: Lloyd A. Patton, of Tyrone; Wilson, of Port Matilda; Mrs. John Sharp, of Olean, N. Y.; Frank, of Johnstown; Mrs. Beatrice Snyder, of Tyrone; James R., of Milesburg; Mrs. John O. Williams, of Port Matilda; Merley, Margaret, Edith and Reeder, at home. She also leaves one brother and a sister, C. H. Welsh, of Newport, Va., and Mrs. Harry White, of Tyrone.

Funeral services were held at her late home at two o'clock on Sunday afternoon by Rev. Cook, after which burial was made in the Methodist cemetery.

EVANS.—Miss Lucy Evans died at her home in Williamsport last Thursday morning after an illness of some weeks with neuritis. She was a daughter of David and Minerva Reifsnnyder Evans and was born at Pottery Mills where the early part of her life was spent.

When a young woman she went to Muncy and later to Williamsport where for a number of years she followed the vocation of a seamstress and tailoress. She was one of a family of two sons and eleven daughters and is survived by her mother, who is eighty-five years of age, and the following sisters and brother: Mary, of Williamsport; Mrs. Platts, of Muncy; Mrs. Pollock, of Williamsport; Mrs. Scott, of Pittsburg; Mrs. Bolinger, of Nebraska City, Neb.; Malinda and Edward, of Williamsport. The remains were taken through Bellefonte on Saturday for burial in the Sprucecreek cemetery.

BAIRD.—Following an illness of some weeks with cancer Harvey Baird died at his home at Gilttown on Monday evening. He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. David Baird and was born at Gilttown sixty-seven years ago. He was married to Miss Agnes Gill who survives with the following children: Mrs. Nora Hinds, of Pleasant Gap; Mrs. Andrew Keins, of State College; Mrs. John Fetterman, of Lemont; Mrs. Ira Waite and Rhoda, at home; Mrs. Freeman Sayre, of Pleasant Gap; and Perry, at home. He also leaves one brother and a sister, William Baird, of Gilttown, and Mrs. Harvey Fike, of Bellefonte. Funeral services were held in the Methodist church at Pleasant Gap yesterday morning by Rev. Dunn, of Bellefonte, after which burial was made in the Pleasant Gap cemetery.

TATE.—Fred Reynolds Tate died in Altoona on Tuesday morning after an illness of some weeks with tuberculosis. He was aged 28 years and is survived by his mother and the following brothers and sisters: Mrs. Ida McCann, of Altoona; Harry E. Tate, of Wilkes-Barre; Mrs. F. S. Ayers, of Williamsport; Charles A. Tate, of Altoona; Boyd, of Mt. Savage, Md., and Merle at home. The remains were brought to Bellefonte yesterday for burial in the Union cemetery.

Boost the Thrift Stamp Campaign.

The report of the war savings and thrift stamp campaign for the week ending March 9th, according to chairman W. Harrison Walker, shows a substantial increase for Centre county. We are third for that week, and thirteenth for the entire campaign in the eastern district of Pennsylvania, and our per capita is now \$1.50.

Centre county is getting down to real business. Let us keep it going. Let us not be contented or satisfied until we go "Over the Top" and secure our per capita of \$20.00 for every man, woman and child in our county.

"Snow Shoe last week sold 704 war savings stamps, having a total value of \$3520.00, and giving that borough about \$8.50 per capita since January. Rebersburg is now \$10.30 per capita. Mr. Walker says: "Although I do not have figures to give a per capita, my information from a large list of towns and boroughs is to the effect that "drives" are being made, and the results are first-class.

"Your chairman has redistricted the county, and has appointed a district chairman in practically every borough and township. These men have agreed to give personal attention, and active service to the campaign for the remainder of 1918, and greater results will not only be expected, but are insured."

Many Potatoes Held by Pennsylvania Farmers.

The State Department of Agriculture has completed a survey of the State and announces that on March 1st just 10,151,539 bushels of potatoes were still being held by the farmers. Of this number Centre county is credited with 72,630 bushels, or thirty-three per cent. of last year's entire crop.

Weaver.—Confer.—Lloyd Weaver and Miss Mary Josephine Confer, both of Howard, R. F. D., were united in marriage on Tuesday of last week by justice of the peace A. A. Pletcher, at his residence in Howard borough. The bride is a daughter of Dobbins Confer and is a splendid young woman in every way. The bridegroom is the youngest son of George Weaver, and is an industrious and energetic young farmer.

Krebs.—Bell.—On Thursday of last week Frank B. Krebs and Mrs. Sadie Bell journeyed to Roaring Springs where they were united in marriage at the Presbyterian parsonage by Rev. Walter K. Harnish. Both parties are well known in Ferguson township and their many friends wish them much happiness. They will reside near State College.

BLOODY RIOT AT CLARENCE. One Man Killed and Several Badly Cut.

A drinking bout and riot among a number of foreigners at Clarence on Monday evening resulted in the death of one man, Joe Berbitska, and in several others were badly cut and slashed, among them Bill Lucasavage, who has been held for causing the death of Berbitska, and Mike Wasina, also held as a material witness.

The riot or fight was evidently the result of an old grudge. All the men implicated in the affair are Lithuanians from Russia and work at the No. 10 mine of Larry Redding. On Monday John Yadosky and family moved into a house near the mine and as a sort of a housewarming he invited a number of his friends in to spend the evening. Among the number invited was Lucasavage but for some time past he has not been in good favor with his countrymen because he sided with the allies and was open in his opposition against Russia surrendering control of Lithuania to the Germans.

Hence when he was invited to the housewarming Monday evening he at first declined to go but upon being assured that everything would be decent and orderly he accepted and attended. The riot started about eight o'clock. From the most authentic sources available it appears that the men were sitting around a table pitching coins and drinking when one of the women in passing Lucasavage struck him a lighted match and the room was in an uproar. Knives and fists were freely used and Lucasavage maintains that his one desire was to get out and away but wherever he turned he was confronted with a gleaming knife and had to fight his way through, being cut on the hands and arms and head while his clothing was tattered and torn.

When he got out of the house some of the crowd followed and it was then he picked up a stone and threw it as hard as he could but he avers that he did not know whether he hit anyone or not. When the riot subsided Dr. Edward Harris was summoned from Snow Shoe to sew up the victims and it was not until he had the injuries of Lucasavage and Wasina attended to that Berbitska's dead body was found in a little hollow a short distance from the house. A hasty examination showed that he was beyond all help. A closer examination by the doctor showed that he had been killed by a blow on the head but it did not look as if he had been hit by a club or some other blunt instrument.

"Squire John Brown empaneled a jury and held an inquest and the finding was in effect that Berbitska had come to his death as the result of a blow on the head at the hands of Lucasavage. The latter made no attempt to escape and was kept in Clarence under guard until Tuesday when he was brought to Bellefonte and locked in the county jail. District attorney James C. Furst will make a thorough investigation of the whole affair."

County Commissioner's Endorse Mother's Pension Act.

At a regular meeting of the County Commissioners last Friday a resolution was passed in effect that the county of Centre avail itself of the provisions of the Mothers' Pension act passed by the Legislature of 1913 and amended by the Legislature of 1915. The act of 1913 provided an appropriation of \$100,000; the act of 1915 an appropriation of \$200,000, and the Legislature of 1917 appropriated \$400,000 to carry out the provisions of the act.

Under the latter Centre county is entitled to \$1951.21, for two years, on condition that the county pay an equal amount. The fiscal year of the State begins on June 1st, and inasmuch as Centre county delayed until this time to avail itself of the privileges of the act it will be deprived of the benefit of approximately five-twelfths of the appropriation.

That the County Commissioners acted wisely when they voted favorably upon the resolution last Friday seems a foregone conclusion. In addition to the requests of the various Women's clubs of the county they had presented to them petitions signed by from eight to nine hundred people from every section of the county, asking that the county avail itself of the provisions of the act. And the entire expense to the county will be but \$1951.21 for two years, or less than one thousand dollars a year, which is only about six cents for each and every taxpayer in the county.

Under the provisions of the act not more than ten per cent. of the total can be used in administration work, the bulk of the appropriation going to pay the pensions of needy and dependent mothers.

To carry out the provisions of the act in Centre county the Commissioners have recommended the appointment of the following trustees: Mrs. John S. Walker and Miss Mary Hunter Linn, Bellefonte; Mrs. L. W. Nuttall, of Phillipsburg; Mrs. G. S. Frank, of Millheim, and Mrs. G. G. Pond, of State College. The recommendations, of course, will go to the Governor for appointment.

THE THIRD LIBERTY LOAN. Centre County Districted and an Energetic Campaign Mapped Out.

On April 6th the drive for subscriptions to the Third Liberty Loan will begin. A strong organization has been formed in this district, embracing all the towns and townships, and from the character and standing of the men and women who have volunteered for service in soliciting subscriptions, good results may be expected. Public meetings held will be under the direction of The Pennsylvania State College, members of the faculty having agreed to look after this important part of the work.

The rural mail carriers will also render efficient service through the distribution of literature. The committee is glad to report a patriotic interest in the work and a generous response to the appeals for help in making the subscription a success. The organization is as follows:

General Committee: Charles H. McCurdy, chairman. D. F. Kapp. George H. Meech. W. Fred Reynolds. Publicity, J. L. Spangler. Organizing Secretary, Chas. C. Shuey.

Advisory Committee: S. W. Gramley. L. W. Stover. E. A. McDowell. BOROUGH AND TOWNSHIP HEADQUARTERS: Edmund Blanchard, John L. Knisely, C. Y. Wagner, J. O. Brewer, Wm. Brooks, H. P. Harris, Wm. Burnside, R. P. Hunter, J. B. Cook, John McCoy, J. Will Conley, Harry Jackson, Jacob Marks.

Rebersburg: J. B. Rossman, A. F. Hoekman, Wm. Harnish, Chas. Zimmerman, Wm. Delrick, Wm. Cleveland Jr., Bellefonte: R. F. D. Zick-John Eby, C. F. Hoy, John Cole, J. B. Stover, Wm. Corman, Wm. Smeltzer. Milesburg: F. L. Wetzel, James H. Weaver, John Smith, O. E. Miles, George McCullough, Daniel McKloney. Curran: P. O.—Jerry Glenn, H. H. Curran, R. P. Lucas, L. H. Neff, J. L. Bryan, G. W. Allen.

State College: A. H. Hartwick, W. D. Custer, J. L. Holmes, I. L. Foster, J. B. Heberling, Harry Sowers. Howard: Chester A. Moore, John Welch, E. A. Fletcher, Ronald R. Welch, Fred Leathers, Geo. B. Williams, Sumner J. Wolfe, C. M. Mullery, A. A. Schenck. Rebersburg: Thomas Tressler, J. L. Hartscock, A. W. Witmer, Wm. King, John Spearley. Pleasant Gap: W. H. Noll Jr., Marion Brant, C. C. Rapp, C. K. Siltzer, Samuel Poorman.

Julian: J. R. Williams, Frank Dillen, Grace Cook, J. B. Turner, W. B. Parsons. Ferguson Twp.: West Precinct: Penna. Furnace—D. S. Peterson, W. S. Ward, J. C. Gates, G. W. Rossman, J. H. Campbell, H. B. Cracken. Liberty Twp.: Blanchard—W. H. Austin, N. I. Harter, Rev. Walter Dudley. Huston Twp.: Martha—W. M. Cronister, H. A. Williams, R. R. Williams, F. W. Dillen, Kyle Alexander, Reuben Alexander. Curran Twp.: Orviston—Ellis Harvey, C. A. Brown, C. B. Page, W. A. Ridge, Geo. Hines, C. Powell. Marion Twp.: Nittany—J. W. Orr, M. S. Bets, J. W. Yearick.

Rebersburg: J. N. Moyer, A. N. Corbett, J. Auman, C. H. Small, C. C. Small, J. R. Brungart. Snow Shoe: J. Harris Hoy, John P. Kelley, Lawrence Redding, W. C. Snyder, O. Borzgan, Oscar Harn, H. W. Roberts, A. A. Groe, L. A. McDowell, James Morgan, Joseph Wade, John Bohm, Joe Quick, John Brown, Robert Keck, David Chambers, Clarence. Millheim: D. P. Stapleton, H. T. Pratt, J. W. Gramley, L. W. Stover, W. S. Shelton, Dr. G. S. Frank. Gregg Twp.: Spring Mills—M. T. Zabler, W. H. Williams, T. M. Gramley, Dr. H. S. Brant, Wm. M. Allison, R. P. Campbell, Centre Hall.

Unionville and Union Twp.: Fleming—H. E. Hewitt, Daniel Beck, John P. Askins, Edward Hall, P. J. McDonald, Dr. W. U. Irwin, R. T. Comley, Miles Hall, G. Mitchell, James Shirik, Chapman Underwood, James Stere. College Twp.: Lemont—John Mitchell, J. E. Lenker, F. C. Bradford, John R. Bell, Clayton Eilers, Oak Hall; Edward Glenn, State College. Harris Twp.: Boalsburg—Dr. L. E. Kidder, Jacob Meyer. Ferguson Twp.: Centre Hall—Cyrus Brungard, W. R. Neff, Geo. R. Meese, Geo. O. Jenner, Jacob Sharer, D. K. Keller. Haines Twp.:—J. Bartlett, Aaron Brant, Carl Totz and Wm. Winkelbach, Woodward.

Worth Twp.: Port Matilda—H. C. Woodruff, H. E. Cramer, Wm. H. Artley, J. C. Moses, Rev. W. B. Cook, W. H. Artley, J. M. Williams, W. E. Williams, Herman Landin, J. H. Crain, F. Hoover, C. W. Crain, W. S. Crain, S. S. Miles, W. J. Woodring, H. L. Shope, O. A. Harshberger, W. S. Shultz, H. C. Rothrock. Penn Twp.: Coburn—J. E. Harter, A. L. Auman, J. M. Kerstetter, I. A. Meyer, M. A. Stover, F. J. Malone. Ferguson Twp.: East Precinct: Pine Grove Mills—Dr. G. H. Woods, George Dunlap, Elmer Reed, E. M. Watt, Edward Reed, L. N. Fleck, Harry McCracken and J. H. Bailey, Penna. Furnace. Hubsburg:—John D. Miller, B. W. Runberger, L. E. Swartz, G. F. Hoy, Dr. E. S. McCormick. Potter Twp.: Addition:—F. A. Carson and W. F. McKloney, Spring Mills; C. W. Swartz, Tusseyville. Modanum:—M. V. Culver, J. T. Lucas, John F. Lucas.

LAW BREAKERS SENTENCED. Punishment imposed by the Court for Various Offences.

Andy Seloski escaped from the western penitentiary at Rockview shortly after noon last Thursday but his freedom was not of long duration as he was caught Friday morning at the Witmer farm, up Buffalo Run. Seloski was sent up from Huntingdon county on February 5th, 1918, for not less than eighteen months nor more than two years, and on Friday afternoon he was taken before Judge Quigley and his term doubled.

At a session of court on Monday afternoon Frank Hannah, a tramp, was brought before the judge on complaint of Mrs. Lizzie Confer. There being no evidence on which to sentence or hold the man he was discharged.

Pargartinus Amora, of Philipsburg, was brought up on a charge of larceny, prosecutor, Mrs. Sarah Solomon. The latter claimed that the defendant had snatched her pocketbook while walking on the street. The defendant vehemently denied the allegation, and as the whole case seems one of veracity the prisoner was held for trial by jury.

On Tuesday afternoon Sampson Mayfield (colored) was brought before the court on a charge of larceny, having stolen a quantity of silk and a box of candy from the box of one of the railroaders at the round house of the Pennsylvania railroad. Mayfield had been working at the round house the past two of three months and it was his unfortunate habit of talking in his sleep that gave the clue as to his being the thief. A day or two after stealing the stuff he took time to take a nap and while sleeping talked of a box of candy loud enough for other workmen to hear him. Officers were informed and going to Mayfield's boarding place found the silk. Having plead guilty the court sentenced Mayfield to one dollar fine, costs and three months in jail.

Nathaniel Lampman, one of the men who forced their company upon Wesley Spangler last week, was sentenced to pay a fine of \$25, costs of prosecution and three months in jail. Walter Hohler, the companion of Lampman, and who returned the next day and stole some stuff from Wesley's house, was given a year in the western penitentiary.

Ralph Moyer, of near Pleasant Gap, was up on the charge of stealing a polecat skin valued at four dollars. As there seemed to be some extenuating circumstances the court paroled the young man for a period of one year on condition that he go to work on the farm for Toner Fetzer, at Yarnell, and if he fails to find the work there congenial and can get work elsewhere arrangements will be made for him to make the change.

Regarding Seed Corn.

The time is fast drawing near when corn planting time will be here and it behooves every farmer in Centre county to exercise the greatest care in the selection of his seed corn this year. This is vitally necessary, because every effort possible should be made to grow an unusually large crop, and the failure of corn to mature properly last fall is another reason why the greatest care should be exercised in the selection of the seed to be planted.

In this connection it can be stated that R. H. Olmstead, agent of the County Farm Bureau, has tested to date about one hundred samples of seed corn submitted by farmers of Centre county. Several samples showed no fertility at all while one or two ran fairly high, but the average of the one hundred was 64 per cent. of fertility. This is considered very poor. Mr. Olmstead, however, is prepared to give farmers information as to where they can obtain the best seed, and all he asks is that any one desiring the information apply to him immediately. There is a big demand for good seed corn and owing to this fact application should be made as soon as possible to insure securing an adequate supply.

WOMAN'S COMMITTEE. Chairman—Mrs. Robert Mills Beach. Bellefonte:—Mrs. R. S. Bronse, Miss H. E. Evers, Miss Mary Hunter Linn, Miss Lillian Smith, Miss Mary Gray Meek. Centre Hall:—Miss Freda Bailey. Milesburg:—Mrs. Harry Mann. Snow Shoe:—Mrs. W. C. Snyder. State College:—Mrs. H. B. Shattuck. Unionville:—Miss Susan Shipley. Gregg Twp.:—Mrs. Wm. Gramley. Haines Twp.:—Mrs. Joseph Mohr Otto. Harris Twp.:—Miss Anna Dale. Huston Twp.:—Mrs. Geo. W. Bullock. Liberty Twp.:—Miss Catherine W. Quigley.

Potter Twp.:—Mrs. Geo. B. Thompson. Penn Twp.:—Mrs. I. W. Campbell. Potter Twp.:—Miss Edith Sankey. Spring Twp.:—Mrs. Abner Noll. Walker Twp.:—Mrs. Charles Faust, Miss Mary Struble. Linden Hall:—Mrs. Frank E. Wieland. Port Matilda:—Mrs. H. C. Rothrock, Mrs. Chas. Crain, Mrs. J. M. Williams, Mrs. William Hoover, Miss Florence Williams.

Trustees Elect Officers. The board of trustees of the Pruner home for friendless children met in Tyrone last Thursday and elected the following officers: President—G. Fred Musser, Bellefonte. Secretary—J. S. Gillam, Tyrone. Treasurer and Manager—John S. Ginter, Tyrone. The board approved the selection of Mrs. James Kellerman as matron of the home. The auditors report was submitted and read, and as it showed the financial condition of the institution to be very satisfactory it was accepted and approved.

For high class Job Work come to the "Watchman" Office.