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CHICKEN THIEF GIVEN A PENITENTIARY SENTENCE.

In the case of the Commonwealth vs. Elsie Taylor, charged with aiding a prisoner to escape, which was on trial when the Watchman went to press last week, the jury returned a verdict of not guilty and put the costs on the county.

Commonwealth vs. Cloyd Johnstonbaugh, charged with larceny. Prosecutor, W. F. McClellan. The jury returned a verdict of guilty and the defendant was sentenced to pay the costs of prosecution, a dollar fine and undergo imprisonment in the Huntingdon reformatory.

Lee Confer went on trial on the charge of passing worthless checks, M. W. Schreffler being the prosecutor. After hearing the Commonwealth's testimony the court directed a verdict of not guilty but submitted the question of costs to the jury, which divided the same between the prosecutor and defendant.

Commonwealth vs. Kate Wagner, indicted for larceny. Prosecutor, Leo Boden, county detective. Defendant plead guilty and was sentenced to pay the costs and placed on probation for three years.

Commonwealth vs. Gordon Walk, charged with assault and battery by J. E. Burget. The jury returned a verdict of guilty and he was sentenced to pay the costs of prosecution and a fine of \$10.

Doris Reed plead guilty to a violation of the liquor laws and was sentenced to pay the costs of prosecution and \$100 fine.

In the case of the Commonwealth vs. Ernest Leitch and Walter Leitch, charged with stealing chickens, the grand jury ignored the bill as to Walter while Ernest stood trial. The prosecutor in the case was Richard E. Jones, of the State police. The jury found the defendant guilty and he was sentenced to pay the costs of prosecution, a dollar fine and undergo imprisonment in the western penitentiary for not less than eighteen months nor more than three years.

Commonwealth vs. Walter Barnhart, indicted for breaking and entering, larceny and receiving stolen goods. Prosecutor, T. W. Fisher. The jury returned a verdict of not guilty on the first count but guilty on the second and third, and he was sentenced to pay the costs of prosecution, a dollar fine and imprisonment in the county jail for not less than six months nor more than a year.

COMMON PLEAS CASES TRIED.

The first case taken up when court convened, on Monday morning, was that of George Miller vs. D. P. Brink, an action of trespass growing out of an execution process issued by justice of the peace Woodring, of Newtown, in Rush township, in the suit of J. L. Mark against George Miller and wife, and placed in the hands of the defendant, as constable for service. The plaintiff claimed the right of exemption to the amount of \$300 and an appraisement was made by two men, residents of Clearfield county. When it was discovered that such an appraisement was illegal another appraisement was made by two residents of Centre county. The contention of the plaintiff was that the constable exceeded his authority in making sale of his property. The jury returned a verdict in favor of the plaintiff for \$797.00.

The next case was that of Polydoros Baroutsis against George J. Gregory, an action in ejectment for a strip of land 4½ inches wide on the border line of their respective abutting properties in State College borough, claimed by both the plaintiff and defendant. The plaintiff offered his record title and rested. When the defendant offered his title it was not consistent with the pleadings in the case. Defendant moved to amend his pleadings, the plaintiff plead surprise and the case went over.

Harpster—Judy.—Clarke Harpster and Miss Harriet M. Judy, both of Pennsylvania Furnace, were married, Saturday of last week, by Rev. Samuel B. Brown at his residence in Baileyville. They were attended by Mr. and Mrs. James Fort. Following the ceremony they motored to the bride's home where a wedding feast was served. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Judy and is a charming young woman. The bridegroom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Harpster. He is a plumber by trade and the young couple will locate in Baileyville.

GLEASON.—Thomas A. Gleason died very suddenly at his home at Moshannon, on February 15th. He had been troubled with rheumatism for several years but had been able to look after his farm work as usual. In fact he was up and around until an hour before he died. He was a son of Thomas and Mary O'Connor Gleason and was born near Snow Shoe on June 15th, 1866, making his age 64 years and 8 months. In addition to farming he operated a threshing outfit during the fall months. He never married but is survived by the following brothers and sisters: Patrick Gleason, of Chicago; Maurice James and Mrs. Catherine O'Connor, of Philadelphia; Mrs. Thomas Tubridy, of Moshannon; Edward, of Barnsboro; Mrs. Margaret Steinkirchner, of Detroit, Mich., and Miss Johanna, at home.

Rev. J. F. Connelly had charge of the funeral services which were held in St. Mary's church, Snow Shoe, on February 19th, burial being made in St. Mary's cemetery.

WEAVER.—Benjamin Weaver died at his home at Northwood, near Tyrone, last Thursday morning, following a long illness with cancer.

He was born in upper Bald Eagle valley on July 30th, 1854, hence was in his 77th year. He was a member of the United Brethren church and the Tyrone camp P. O. S. of A. In 1882 he married Miss Maude Garber who survives with the following children: Mrs. David Fink, Lloyd H. and Charles H. Weaver, of Northwood; Frank, of Irwin; Mrs. Earl Boone, of Nef's Mills; Mrs. Martin Kline, of McClure, and Mrs. John H. Gill, of Julian. He also leaves one brother and five sisters.

Funeral services were held in the Mt. Pleasant United Brethren church, last Saturday afternoon, by Rev. John Watson, of Tyrone, assisted by Rev. Welch, of Port Matilda, burial being made in Mt. Pleasant cemetery.

SHAY.—Samuel Shay died at his home, at Howard, on February 21st, following an illness of some months with heart trouble. He was a son of John and Elizabeth Shay and was born at Rock Hill Furnace 86 years ago. In 1878 he married Miss Sarah Hannah who survives with the following children: William Shay, of Port Matilda; John, of Renovo; Rodney and Morris, of Howard; Jacob, Mrs. Esther Baney and Mack, of Bellefonte; Mrs. Mildred Markle, of Pleasant Gap, and Theodore, of Curtin. He also leaves thirty four grand-children. Burial was made in the Catholic cemetery at Howard on February 24th.

SMELTZER.—Albert W. Smeltzer, retired farmer of Spring township, died on Wednesday night of last week, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. T. E. Jodon, at Pleasant Gap. He was a son of George and Elizabeth Smeltzer and was 85 years old. His wife died twelve years ago but he is survived by one daughter and two sons, Mrs. Jodon, mentioned above; W. C. Smeltzer, of Bellefonte, and A. D. Smeltzer, of Pleasant Gap. He also leaves two sisters, Mrs. Samuel Hoy, of Howard, and Mrs. W. D. Custard, of State College. The funeral was held on Saturday afternoon, burial being made at Pleasant Gap.

BELLEFONTE MAN GIVEN SENTENCE IN BLAIR CO.

In court at Hollidaysburg, on Monday, Thomas Ammerman, 45, Bellefonte, who has a record it was said for larceny, pleaded guilty to breaking into cabin cars of the Pennsylvania Railroad company and stealing articles from the clothing of the trainmen. He was charged with stealing a watch and chain to the value of \$35. J. D. Giles, prosecutor, said the man had been carrying on this nefarious work for some time and that he has quite a criminal record, having done time for robbery at Baltimore, Buffalo and other places. Ammerman said that he was formerly employed by a railroad company at Buffalo, and said the reason he stole was that he was out of work. He was sentenced to serve a term of one year in the workhouse.

MISSIONARY ORATORICALS IN EVANGELICAL CHURCH.

A missionary oratorical contest was held in the Evangelical church, on Monday evening, under the auspices of the Young People's Missionary Circle. There were four contestants, Miss Catherine Peters, whose topic was "Money Talks;" Miss Roxey Johnson, "Gingerbread and Missions;" Miss Pearl Rote, "Anna Arrives," and Boyd Osman, whose subject was "The Missionary Rose Garden."

The judges were Rev. C. E. Arnold, James R. Hughes and Miss Elizabeth Heineman and they selected as the winner Miss Peters, who was awarded a beautiful silver pin.

—There was a break in the big water main on south Water street, on Wednesday, but very few knew of it. The Water street section was cut off by closing the valve on High street and the one out near the spring while the main was repaired. The big pump at the Gamble mill station kept the water supply at a normal pressure which was the reason that the break caused no inconvenience.

BIG QUILTING PARTY IN COLLEGE TOWNSHIP.

A delightful quilting party was held by Mrs. Hannah E. Osman, at her home in College township, on Wednesday and Thursday, February 25th and 26th. Three quilts and a comfort were quilted. Mrs. Osman is a remarkable lady of eighty-four years, and personally planned the affair. A fine dinner was served, consisting largely of home-grown articles of food which had been well canned, dried, etc., and stored by her. A large number of neighbors relatives and friends were present, namely: Mrs. Hannah E. Osman, Miss Sara Hubler, Mrs. John Wertz, Mrs. Edward Corl, Mrs. Lydia Neidigh, Mrs. John L. Holmes, Mrs. Charles Witmer, Miss Mary Lytle, Mrs. Charles Shearer and son, Mrs. Joseph Hoy Sr., Mrs. John T. Ross, Mrs. Marian Johnson, Mrs. Charles Homan and daughter Luella, Mrs. Frank Krumrine, Mrs. James Fox and little niece, Barbara Bonson, Mrs. Sidney Neidigh, Mrs. Newton Hoy, Mrs. Lydia Houser, Mrs. W. A. Fye, Mrs. Luther Fye, Mrs. Madison Corl, Mrs. Maude McCormick, Miss Mae Kreamer, Miss Bernice Knoche, Mrs. Henry Bloom, Mrs. John Bowersox, John Wertz and John Bowersox, all on Wednesday.

On Thursday Mrs. Hannah Hoy, Mrs. Charles Strouse, Mrs. Chester McCormick, Mrs. Frances Knoche, Mrs. Kate Osman, Miss Cora Corl, Mrs. Fred Markle, Mrs. James Markle, Mrs. Alvin Corl, Mrs. Earl Smeltzer and son, Mrs. Homer Grubb, Mrs. Al. Henninger, Mrs. Charles Rudy and son, Mrs. Jacob Neidigh, Mrs. Esther Richey, Mrs. C. M. Fry, of Altoona; Mrs. John Lytle, Mrs. Lloyd Cronemiller, and Miss Esther Neidigh, of Juniata.

Central Pennsylvania Alumni of Susquehanna University will gather at Laird's tea room, State College, next Monday night, March 9, for a get-together meeting. Rev. John Harkins, of State College, is president of this district association. Dr. George E. Fisher head of the department of science at Susquehanna, will be the guest speaker.

—It is gratifying to know that the Wickersham Commission didn't name Pennsylvania as the wettest State in the Union. New Jersey has that unenviable distinction. And knowing Pennsylvania as we do we understand how wet New Jersey must be in order to merit it.

—World War veterans who want to borrow on their compensation certificates should get in touch with William E. Swartz, liaison officer of Nittany Post, 245, A. L. of State College. Mr. Swartz is ready to assist anyone who applies to him.

—The Penn State glee club has won the State championship again and will go to New York to compete in the national contest on March 14.

—Al Capone's help to Mayor Thompson, of Chicago, is an exemplification of the adage that "there is honor among thieves."

—Mr. and Mrs. James K. Barnhart entertained last night at the Talleyrand, with a dinner of ten covers.

—Bellefonte milk dealers have reduced the price of milk from 12 to 10 cents a quart.

HOWARD.

Miss Anna Muffy visited friends in Clearfield last week.

Mrs. Philip Barr and children, of Pleasant Gap, are visiting her sister, Mrs. M. E. Fletcher.

Rev. W. E. Yingling pastor of the Evangelical church is attending conference at Carlisle, Pa.

Mrs. Harry Butler entertained the ladies Bible class of the Evangelical church at her home Thursday evening.

Mrs. Joseph DeLong and little son of Blanchard, spent Friday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Confer.

Mrs. Stella Williams is visiting her daughter, Mrs. P. C. Cauffiel, of Johnstown, and Mrs. George Griffith, of Ebensburg.

Word has been received by friends of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Fletcher of Clearfield, that their home was destroyed by fire Monday.

The Community Health Service held their regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Willard McDowell, on Tuesday afternoon.

The members of the men's Bible class, of the Methodist church enjoyed a baked ham dinner served in the basement of the church, Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Girard Altenderfer drove to Huntingdon, Sunday afternoon, to visit Mrs. H. J. Lutz, of State College, who is a patient in the Blair Memorial hospital. Miss Kathryn Schenck, a student nurse in the Sibley hospital, in Washington, D. C., is spending several weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Schenck. The cooking class taught by Miss Alexson met, Monday afternoon, at the home of Mrs. Ruth K. Wolfe. The next meeting will be Monday, March 9th, at the home of Miss Anna Muffy. Mrs. Fred E. Fletcher, who has been suffering with an abscess in her ear was admitted to the Centre County hospital, Friday, where Dr. Hoffman lanced the abscess. She returned to her home the same day.

PINE GROVE MENTIONS.

Some of our farmers have begun plowing for the spring crops.

J. A. Gummo is having a well drilled on his farm for water.

Mrs. Clair Shaffer spent the weekend with friends in Johnstown.

John F. Kimport is handling the ribbons over a new team of horses.

Mrs. James P. Alkens is away on a trip to Harrisburg and Philadelphia.

E. J. Klinger, of Lemont, mingled with the Odd Fellows in town, on Saturday.

W. J. Dean, who has been seriously ill in the Centre County hospital, is improving.

Will Murtorff spent the latter end of the week visiting his son Adam, in Pittsburgh.

Earl Neidigh has signed up as Mrs. A. C. Kepler's farmer during the coming year.

Roy Wieland, of Franklinville, was a visitor at the M. C. Wieland home, on Tuesday.

Fred Corl, of Altoona, spent the early part of the week with his mother, on Wall street.

Mrs. David Ewing and Mrs. L. R. Porter spent several days, last week, with friends at Alexandria.

Mrs. James Williams and Mrs. John Glenn visited Tyrone friends the latter end of the week.

Master Francis Fry, of Altoona, is visiting Centre county friends making his headquarters at Rock Springs.

Several State College ladies were in this section, on Friday, looking up the burial places of revolutionary soldiers.

Mrs. Catherine Phillips had as her guests, during the latter part of the week, Mr. and Mrs. Johnson, of Woolrich.

Mack Fry took Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Harmon over to Saubsburg, Sunday, to see Mr. Harmon's father, who is quite ill.

Mrs. J. A. Glenn, who had been a patient in a Harrisburg hospital for some weeks, has returned home and is convalescing nicely.

Mrs. C. M. Fry and Mrs. Esther Ritchie motored down from Altoona and spent a day with Mrs. Hannah Osman, at Pine Hall.

A large bill of lumber is being sawed on the Goss tract to be used in the construction of the new federal penitentiary at Lewisburg.

Last Wednesday evening the men's Bible class, of Baileyville, were entertained at the Ed Isenberg home. Twenty-six members were present.

Pennsylvania Lodge No. 276, I. O. O. F., will present 25 year jewels to a class of about a dozen eligibles tomorrow evening. A full turn out is urged.

The young women's Bible class of the Presbyterian church were entertained at the Miss Nellie Dodd home, last Thursday evening. Refreshments were served.

H. H. Goss and wife motored to Beaver Springs to see Mr. and Mrs. James Dreese, both of whom have been quite ill with the grip. Before her marriage to Mr. Dreese, it will be recalled, Mrs. Dreese was Mrs. Amelia Koch.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dean, newly weds, of Stormstown, were callers at the W. R. Port home, on Sunday.

Earl Johnson and family, of Philadelphia, spent the early part of the week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph E. Johnson.

The entertainment given by the pupils of the Pine Grove schools, Friday and Saturday evenings, proved unusually interesting to the large crowds that attended both evenings. Every one who took part carried his or her part splendidly.

The I. W. T. missionary band, of Baileyville held their monthly meeting at the A. L. Albright home with fifty members present. A sumptuous dinner was served. Officers of the band are Miss Gertrude Miller, president; Miss Bettie Goheen, vice president; secretary, Helen Patterson; treasurer, A. L. Albright.

A number of visitors from Altoona and State College attended the meeting of Lady Rebekah lodge, No. 137, on Monday evening. Refreshments were served and the 110 covers laid were all taken. On Tuesday evening the seventh birthday class was in charge of the regular meeting, at which time thirteen new members were initiated. Members of the birthday class were Ruth Frank, Maude Miller, Carrie Wieland, Nora Musser, Rosa Eyer, Maude Keller, Elsie Gorman, Margaret Homan, Ralph Walker, Homer Osman, John H. Bailey and Alfred Albright.

—So far no stories have come to the Watchman office of any record public sales having been held this spring. With two seasons of poor crops there is not enough money in the farming community to enable any one to pay fancy prices for either farm stock or machinery.

—The Women's Auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A. held its regular monthly meeting, Monday evening in the library. There were sixteen members present. The meeting was opened by the president, Mrs. M. R. Johnson, reading a chapter from the Scriptures, followed by the Lord's Prayer repeated in unison. In the absence of the treasurer, Mrs. O. A. Kline, the minutes of the previous meeting were read by Mrs. Harry M. Murtorff. Reports were given by the chairmen of various committees. Miss Isabella Hill presented two books to the library. A report on the father-son banquet was given by secretary, L. C. Heineman. Four new members were welcomed to the Auxiliary. A social hour followed the business meeting and refreshments were served by the hostesses, Mrs. L. C. Heineman and Mrs. E. S. Maloy.

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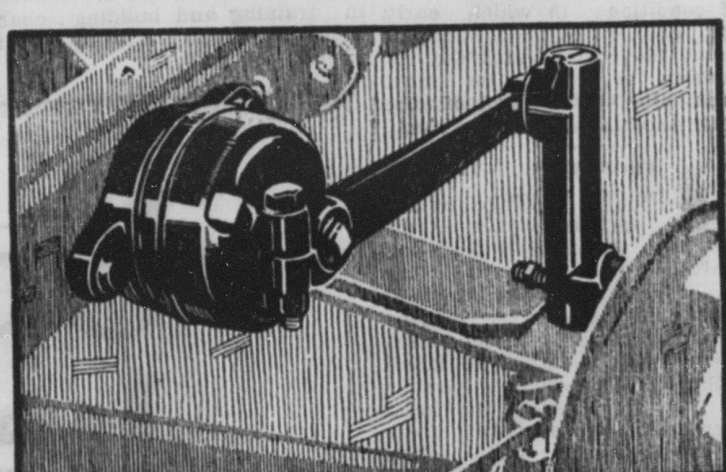
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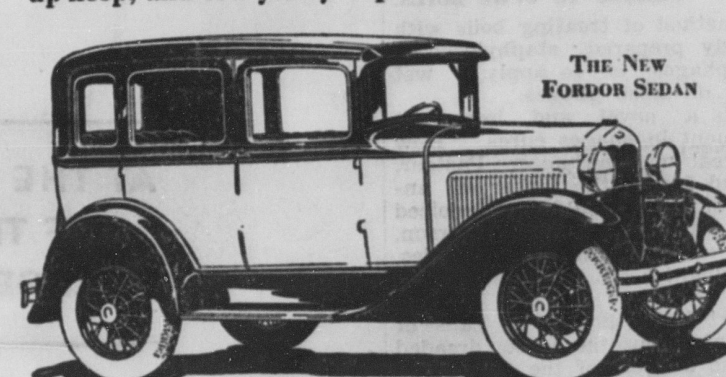
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