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THE WHEELMEN'S MODERN MINSTRELS

Introducing a Beautifully, Electrically Illuminated First Part and

Calhoun's Superb Orchestra.

In just one week from this evening, the people of Bloomsburg and surrounding towns will be given the opportunity of seeing, what we think will be unmistakably this season's musical event. We refer to the minstrel show to be given on April 27 by the Bloomsburg Wheelmen. Our people will doubtless recall the very excellent entertainment given by this organization on the occasion of their first effort in this direction, something more than a year ago. But the boys have something better this time. Something superior in every way. Stronger musically, prettier scenically, and its ability to please will be simply boundless. In fact the influence of a higher order of completeness will be visibly noticeable in every turn of the forthcoming entertainment.

The setting for the first part will present the most enchanting electrical display ever brought into requisition in the local play house. The entire stage will be a blaze of iridescent splendor, several hundred electrical globules being used to perfect the scene. Mr. Harry J. Achenbach has charge of this feature. The idea is entirely one of his own, and the numerous intricate mechanical devices employed have been made by his own hands.

The musical numbers of the first part, aside from the opening overture, which is a gem, and which has been especially prepared for the Wheelmen by the world's leading music provider, Isadore Witmark of New York, are as follows, "Will I Go to Heaven When I Die," Geo. H. Keiter, end; "Jim Judson" Gere Jane, end; "I May Be Crazy But I Ain't No Fool," Dr. A. K. Aldinger, end; "Man, Man, Man," Freas Hicks, end; "Tennessee," Gerald Gross, end; "Under Southern Skies," D. J. Hummer; "Down on the Old Sewanee," I. B. Abrams; "Good Night Beloved, Good Night," Boyd F. Maize; "When The Harvest Moon is Shining on the River," D. J. Tasker; and the finale "Listen to the Big Brass Band," by Hummer, Tasker, Gross and Hicks.

The second part of the program is crowded with pleasing features, and will conclude with a laugh provoking travesty on the Bloomsburg Town Council.

Another feature of the show will be a superb orchestra of fourteen pieces under the direction of William Calhoun.

The diagram of seats will open at Bidleman's store tomorrow. It is safe to predict that the Opera House will be crowded, and we would advise those who intend going to see it that their seats are reserved early.

REPUBLICAN CONVENTION.

The Republican delegate election last Saturday was such a quiet affair that even members of that party scarcely knew of it. The convention was held in the Court House on Monday. It was called to order by county chairman A. W. Duy, and W. O. Holmes was elected chairman, John R. Diemer secretary, and C. C. Yetter reading clerk. A. W. Duy was re-nominated for District Attorney, D. W. Levan of Locust for County Treasurer, Elisha Ringrose for Commissioner, Henry F. Fraugh of Berwick for Register and Recorder, J. R. Diemer of Catawissa for Auditor, Judge Kurtz of Berwick and C. E. Kreisher of Catawissa for Delegates to the State Convention, with J. H. Catterall of Berwick and E. E. Straub of Centralia as alternates. After adopting some resolutions the convention adjourned. A contest from Centralia over the seating of delegates from the Second Ward caused a ripple of excitement, but it was easily disposed of as the machine dictated, and the whole slate went through.

At a meeting of the county committee held after the convention, A. W. Duy was re-elected chairman.

GOVERNOR SIGNED FOX SALARY BILLS.

Measure Abolishing Fees From District Attorney's Office Met With Executive Approval.

Salary in this County \$600.

Governor Pennypacker on Monday signed the Fox bill, abolishing the fee system in the office of district attorney in counties having less than 150,000 population and placing that official on a salary.

The bill fixes the salaries from \$2,000 to \$4,000, according to the population, and provides that no district attorney shall be paid a salary of more than \$1,000 in excess of the fees he received during the year 1904. It further provides that in counties having 90,000 inhabitants or over, the district attorney may appoint two assistants, who shall be paid not more than \$1,500 a year for their services.

Under this bill the district attorney of Columbia County will be paid a salary of \$600. The last census gives the county a population of 39,896, just 108 short of the number required to make the salary \$1000 per year.

Fourteen other bills were approved. They follow:

Authorizing the city treasurer of Philadelphia to appoint an assistant and fix his salary.

Regulating the publication and distribution of State documents.

Extending the benefits of the Soldiers' Orphans' Schools to children of the soldiers, sailors and marines of the Philippine war.

Providing for the vacation and closing of alleys, lanes and passageways that are or may hereafter become public nuisances and to compensate abutting property-owners who may be damaged thereby.

Authorizing the Governor to fill by appointment the vacancies which may arise in the office of county treasurer, until the next general election.

Empowering Courts of Common Pleas to determine disputes as to the reasonableness of license fees to be paid municipalities by telegraph, telephone, or light and power companies.

Permitting the warden of the Eastern Penitentiary to reside outside of the prison.

Increasing the allowance of the Judges of the Superior Court for clerk hire.

Authorizing the State treasurer to require additional security from banks in which State funds are deposited.

Changing the form of the writ of scire facias on contracts for building bridges, wharves, docks, etc., under the act of June 4, 1901.

Restricting the amount of bonds which may be issued annually for the building of roads under the act of 1895.

Authorizing the State to rebuild uncompleted county bridges over a river not less than 1,000 feet wide, whenever the portions of such bridges already erected have been destroyed by flood before their completion and where it appears that 50 per cent. of the contract price had already been expended before the destruction of the portions erected.

Requiring county commissioners or boards of revision of taxes to file with the Auditor General copies of all returns made for personal property tax and requiring the record to be open to the inspection and use of the Auditor General.

STATE TO BUILD BRIDGE.

On Monday Governor Pennypacker signed the bill which authorizes the state to build uncompleted bridges over any river exceeding one thousand feet in length, whenever portions of said bridges already erected have been destroyed by floods before the final completion thereof, and where it appears that over fifty per centum of the contract price has already been expended before such destruction.

Under this law the Mifflinville bridge will be rebuilt by the state, the county paying the difference only between the amount already paid and the contract price. This bill was drawn by Hon. Fred Ikeler, and it was largely through his influence that it was passed by the House and Senate, thus saving the county many thousands of dollars.

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BANQUET TO COL. FREEZE.

A meeting of the members of the Bar of Columbia and Montour Counties was held in the court room on Saturday afternoon, most of the attorneys of this county being present. The object of the meeting was to make the preliminary arrangements for a banquet to be given to Col. John G. Freeze. Geo. E. Elwell was elected chairman of the meeting, and H. Mont. Smith secretary. After some discussion it was decided to hold the banquet in the Elk rooms in the Ent building, on Friday, April 28th, at eight o'clock in the evening.

N. U. Funk was elected treasurer and the following committees were appointed:

On Banquet, Hon. Grant Herring, Hon. John G. Harman, A. W. Duy Esq., of Bloomsburg; Hon. R. S. Ammerman, Major C. P. Gearhart of Danville.

On Program, H. A. McKillip, B. F. Zarr, Paul E. Wirt, W. H. Rhawn, Hon. Fred Ikeler.

On Reception, C. W. Miller, J. B. Robison, Robert S. Howell, L. E. Waller, C. C. Evans.

On Souvenir, James Scarlet, Hon. William Chrisman, H. Mont. Smith, C. C. Yetter and J. Gere Jayne.

THE INVITATION.

On Monday the following letter was presented to Col. Freeze.

Dear Sir:—
The members of the Bar of the 26th Judicial District extend to you their hearty congratulations upon your having reached the fifty-seventh anniversary of your admission to the Bar in the full possession of mental and physical vigor, and as a mark of the high esteem in which you are held by your legal brethren they desire to tender you a banquet, to be held in the Elks' rooms in Bloomsburg, on the evening of Friday, April 28th at eight o'clock. If the date and place are agreeable to you, they will esteem it an honor to have you as their guest.

Very truly yours,
GEO. E. ELWELL,
Chairman of Bar Meeting.

H. A. MCKILLIP,
B. F. ZARR,
PAUL E. WIRT,
W. H. RHAWN,
FRED IKELER,
Committee

Bloomsburg, Penna. April seventeenth, nineteen hundred and five.

THE RESPONSE.

To this invitation Col. Freeze replied as follows:
GEO. E. ELWELL ESQ.,
Chairman of Bar Meeting,
H. A. MCKILLIP ESQ.,
Chairman of Bar Committee.
MESSRS:—
Your most kind and highly appreciated communication of the date of April 17th, 1905, tendering me a commemorative banquet, on my having reached the fifty-seventh anniversary of my admission to the

Bar, has been received with feelings of the most profound satisfaction and pleasure.

To have been fifty-seven years at the Bar, to have seen all the men who were at the Bar when I was admitted, pass to the great assize, and a new membership to arise around me, whose esteem and confidence they so lovingly and un-animously assure me of, is as rare as it is delightful.

The day and hour and place selected by your committees are entirely agreeable to me; and it will give me the greatest happiness to meet my brethren of the Bar, on that occasion.

Ever most truly,
JOHN G. FREEZE,
Bloomsburg, Penna.
April 18, 1905.

Invitations have been sent out to all former members of this bar, and to a number of lawyers and Judges from other districts who are old friends of the Colonel's. It is expected that about seventy-five persons will be present.

EASTER MUSIC.

Next Sunday will be Easter, the day of resurrection. Special services have been arranged in most of the churches, and fine musical programs have been prepared. At St. Paul's Church there will be services at 6.45 and 11 a. m. and 5 o'clock p. m. The first service will consist of choral morning prayer, to be followed immediately with a plain celebration of the Holy Communion.

At 11 o'clock there will be a choral communion service, with sermon, and choral evensong at 5. The music will be under the direction of Geo. E. Elwell, choir-master, and Charles P. Elwell is the organist. The following is the musical program:

6.45 A. M.
Processional, Hymn 109
"Christ, Our Passover, antiphonal chant,
Gloria Patri
Gloria in Excelsis
Te Deum in D.
Lubilate Deo
Nicene Creed in F.
Hymn 113
Offertory, "Why seek ye the living among the dead."

11 A. M.
Processional, Hymn 122
Kyrie Eleison
Gloria Tibi
Nicene Creed
Hymn 118
Offertory, Hallelujah, Christ is Risen.
Sursum Corda
Sanctus
Agnus Dei
Gloria in Excelsis
Bells Amen.
Recessional, Hymn 123

5 P. M.
Processional, Hymn 109
Gloria Patri
Magnificat
Nunc Dimittis
Apostle's Creed, monotone.
Offertory, "Christ, Our Passover,"
Bells Amen.
Recessional, Hymn 121.
Everybody is welcome to all of these services.



To all our friends and patrons we extend an Easter Greeting.

Easter is the time for sunshine and for flowers.

It's the time when nature smiles and we all take a fresh grip on life.

It's the natural desire of every Man and Boy to appear in new garments on Easter Sunday.

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