

CRIME OF COURT.

Defendants in Confer Murder Trial Found Guilty of Manslaughter—Grand Jury Recommends Improvements About Jail

A large number of trivial cases were disposed of during the last few days of September court.

In the case of Commonwealth vs. E. J. Riddle, indicted for larceny and receiving stolen goods, counsel for the defense moved the court to quash the indictment because same was found in wrong court. Motion was granted and the District Attorney given permission to present new indictment.

Commonwealth vs. D. P. Swartz, indicted for writing threatening letter; prosecutor, W. H. Thompson; counsel for defendant moved the court to quash the indictment for the reason that more than one witness was present before the grand jury at the same time. The court called for proof of the allegation, proof was offered, the indictment was quashed, but the District Attorney was given permission to present a new bill of indictment.

Commonwealth vs. E. J. Riddle; being the same case herebefore referred to and being the new bill of indictment sent up by the grand jury against this defendant. The testimony of the Commonwealth alleges that the defendant had broken into the stable of W. H. Thompson and into the garage of Dr. Kuriz sometime after midnight of June 4th last, and taken from Mr. Thompson's stable an automobile tire and from Dr. Kuriz one automobile tire, inner tube and tire, and taken the tires away on the morning of the 5th of June and that this goods had never been returned to the owners and probably disposed of by them. The Kuriz tire having been taken off of the rear of the doctor's automobile. Mr. Leathers, the co-defendant, went on the stand and testified that he had taken the Thompson tire and that Riddle had taken the Kuriz tire, and that Riddle had been given both tires stating that he would dispose of them and would divide up with Leathers, giving Leathers one dollar. The defendant testified that he had nothing to do with this arrangement to take these tires and had not been with Leathers that night, and from the testimony appears that Leathers had waived the finding of the grand jury and pled larceny prior to the opening of the court, that he (Riddle) had gone home about nine o'clock that night and gone to bed and in this he was sustained by two people from his boarding house and that they did not know of him leaving the house that night excepting that sometime after midnight someone rapped and Riddle went down stairs and Riddle swears that he there met Leathers who had some automobile tires and wanted to sell them to him. Verdict of not guilty.

In the Confer murder trial which terminated the September term of court, Thursday, Irvin Robinson, Richard Langford, and Durbin Carvin, all of Clarence, held for the murder of Henry Confer, were found guilty of manslaughter by the jury on Saturday evening. Counsel for the defense immediately petitioned for a new trial.

Henry Confer was found dead on the 3rd of May, 1915, lying on the narrow gauge railroad of the N. Y. Central running into the Overlook brick yards. It was presumed at first that he had been struck by the engine but suspicion of foul play was aroused which resulted in the apprehension and holding for trial of the three men above named.

REPORT OF GRAND JURY.

The Grand Jury made their report on Thursday afternoon, setting forth that they had passed on 18 bills of indictment, finding 16 true bills and 2 bills ignored, and that they had inspected the county buildings and found all the offices in the court house on both the first and second floors, including the halls, stairways, corridors and court room in neat, clean and excellent condition, and that the exterior of the court house porch, lawn and park presenting a very neat and tidy appearance. That the jail yard is in a dilapidated and unsanitary condition, and that a large pile of coal ashes, old tin cans, and other rubbish in the north side should be removed, and the whole yard be made a clean and healthful place for the recreation of prisoner.

That the floor of the jail in the ladies' department of the jail was in a dangerous condition and liable to break down and advise that new joists and floor replace the old one, and recommend that the exterior of the jail wall be pointed with colored concrete for the better protection of the wall and to beautify the appearance; that they find the stable in a dilapidated condition, roof very bad, a number of panes of glass broken out of the window, spouting rusted ruf, and in a general way presenting the appearance of a much neglected building. Burdocks and other obnoxious weeds are in evidence outside of the jail yard and along the lot in the rear of the jail, and recommend that the south side of the jail and stable and outbuildings be painted so that they will correspond in appearance with the court house and its surroundings so as to leave the impression that the buildings on the hill as well as those in the diamond are all owned by the same landlord, the taxpayer.

PENN HALL.

Jerry Albright put new steps in front of Fisher's store last week. James Crater spent Sunday with his friends, Charles and Christie Snook, Mrs. John Blair, who had an attack of typhoid fever, is able to be out again.

Thomas Stover and family from below Coburn spent Sunday with Mrs. Stover's mother, Mr. John Albright. Henry Beam and family of near Astronburg spent Sunday at the home of George Shook.

Robert Hettinger had a silo built this fall by Harry Shreckengast of Farmers Mill. It is almost ready to fill.

Mr. Lyla Hettinger is attending the W. C. T. U. convention at York. She was sent as a delegate from this place.

Mr. Ephraim Shook left on Tuesday morning for Michigan where she will visit an aunt. Accompanying her were Mr. and Mrs. James Roush and Mr. and Mrs. John Detwiler. William Sinkbine while doing some firing was unfortunate in having a piece of steel fly in his eye. Dr.

LOCALS.

J. W. Mitterling is building a garage for his Overland car. A baby was born to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Moyer on Sunday.

Mr. E. W. Smith is attending the State Sunday-school Convention at Erie, this week.

W. O. Gramley will hold a big stock sale at Spring Mills next Tuesday. See ad. and poster.

Mr. C. E. Royer of Spring Mills was in Centre Hall on Tuesday taking orders for ladies' hosiery.

Mr. F. E. Homan is spending a week with her daughter, Mrs. Chester Homan, at State College.

Mr. Frank Martin of Millerstown was the guest of her cousin, Mrs. A. P. Krap, for a short time Monday.

Julian Fleming left Centre Hall Tuesday morning, and will hereafter be located near Union, New York.

Mr. Elizabeth Bartholomew of Jacksonville is spending a few days at the home of her nephew, Chas. D. Bartholomew.

Fancy Elberta peacher, large in size and fine in flavor, in bushel baskets, at \$1.30 per bushel.—W. A. Odenkirk's store, Centre Hall.

Mr. Austin Brungart of Zion, after spending a few weeks at the home of her brother, F. E. Homan, left for State College on Sunday.

Mr. Rebecca Murray and daughter, Miss Edna, will attend the funeral of the former's brother, W. H. Harter, at Hartleton, to-day (Thursday).

Mr. Mary E. Christine of Elysburg returned to her home this week after spending some time at the home of her daughter, Mrs. T. L. Moore.

Mr. Anna Stauffet and child of Chicago, Ill., spent a few days this week at the home of the former's sister, Mrs. T. L. Smith, in this place.

Mr. Cyrus Brungart and daughter, Mrs. Thomas Keefer, left on Thursday of last week for Greensburg where Mr. and Mrs. Keefer will start housekeeping.

Cleveland Mitterling returned on Saturday from a week's visit in Philadelphia and Trenton, New Jersey, and attended the state fair at the latter place.

Mrs. M. H. Magee of Philadelphia, who is spending some time at the G. H. Emerick home in this place, visited for a few days this week with relatives in Bellefonte.

Among the sick are two of the town's aged ladies—Mrs. W. H. Runkle and Mrs. Musselman, mother of Mr. J. W. Whiteman—and Mrs. E. S. Ripke, all of whom are confined to bed.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Stump and the latter's mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Stump, of near this place, attended the funeral of Edward A. Stump, at Madisonburg, on Tuesday, making the trip in G. H. Emerick's car.

Miss Mollie Hoffer, who was injured a week ago at the local depot when she was struck by the east-bound passenger train, is recovering nicely from her injuries and her friends are hopeful for her complete recovery.

Capt. George M. Boal, on Wednesday morning, went to Philadelphia where for several weeks he will be at the home of his daughter, Mrs. W. Gross Mingler. He was accompanied by Mrs. C. E. Meyer of Reedsville, also a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. William Wilt, of Jacksonville, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Frazier, were entertained at the C. D. Bartholomew home on Monday. Miss Anna Wilt, another member of the party, will remain until the return of the former couple from the eastern part of the state.

Domer F. Ishler, of Washington, D. C., arrived in Centre Hall Tuesday morning, being on a ten days' vacation. On his return home he will be accompanied by his wife and little son who have been spending several months at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. Geiss Wagner, near Tusseyville.

Dr. C. F. Smith of Indianapolis, Indiana, reached Centre Hall Tuesday evening, having made the tour from his home in his Cadillac car. Mr. Smith was accompanied east by his wife and daughter, who were left at Lock Haven while he came here to transact a bit of business relative to the estate of the late Peter Smith of Potter township.

C. W. Slack was in town on Tuesday, the first since the operation for appendicitis which he underwent several weeks ago. Mr. Slack is optimistic concerning his ultimate recovery and is laying plans for a successful deer hunt in December with the Slack party, of which he is the head. He doesn't believe he will do much on the drive, however, and will leave that part of the hunt to the more robust member.

Braucht is doing his best to save the eye, but Mr. Sinkbine is suffering much pain.

George Shook is busy filling silos; he is working a Tornado cutter with a gasoline engine, while Christie and Charles Shook are busy filling with their Blizzard blower and other engine.

Glades Meyer, who had gone to New Jersey to teach school, returned home a short time ago, owing to sickness. She is improving and expects to go back in a short time and begin work again.

BOALSBURG.

Harry Kuhn is ill with typhoid fever. F. S. Harro installed a heat plant in the Boal hotel.

F. E. Weber spent a few days of last week in Huntington and Altoona. The Boalsburg high school will hold their literary society Friday evening.

J. H. Meyer, who was sick last week, is improving. Walter D. Ludwig, Jr., has been sick for the past week.

Miss Belle Miller of State College spent a few days in Boalsburg. John Hook and Joseph Hettinger, two old soldiers, are on the sick list.

Adam Filty and daughter, Mrs. Shugart, spent Sunday at the Ernest Hess home.

Mr. Emery Gettig of Altoona is home on account of the illness of her father, J. H. Meyer. Charles Segner painted J. A. Gingerich's barn and is now painting the barn of A. E. Gingerich.

Mr. Rhine of Bellefonte spent Sunday with her daughter, Mrs. G. M. Fisher. Rev. Courtney, of the McClure charge, preached a trial sermon in the Lutheran church Sunday evening.

William Kuhn spent a few days with his father, Alec. Kuhn, who has had poor health for some time. Miss Sarah Oman and girl friend of Altoona spent Friday and Saturday with Elsie Rishel.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Weber spent Sunday afternoon with their daughter, Mrs. Charles Ross, at Pine Grove Mills. Misses Mary Reish and Nora Miller attended a birthday party at the Lytle home, given in honor of Andrew Lytle, near State College.

Linden Hall.

Henry Potter has been confined to bed for some time but is now improving. Mr. Annie Miller of Pine Grove Mills spent Thursday and Friday at the J. L. Tressler home.

Harvey Houtz of Toledo, Ohio, is visiting at the home of his sister, Mrs. James L. Ross and Mrs. Will Houser. Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Bierly of Milesburg spent Sunday with Mr. Kent, at the Potter home.

Miss Irene Ross has gone to Axemann to nurse Mrs. Wallace White, who underwent an operation last Thursday. Chicken thieves are active in the neighborhood. On Thursday morning they visited Will Houser's and were seen leaving with a nice lot of young Plymouth Rock chickens.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Campbell and sisters, Misses Agnes and Bertha Campbell, and Mrs. Ira Siegel, composed an auto party that spent part of Sunday with Misses Phoebe and Mary Ann Potter.

Potters Mills.

Ashbridge Thomas made a trip to this place one day last week. Jesse McClennahan is having some concreting done by Orvis Horner.

W. W. McCormick is improving in health at this writing. Miffin Moyer and family of Rebersburg visited at the James Moyer home on Sunday.

George Thomas, a prominent lawyer, of Brooklyn, N. Y., stopped a day with his parents at this place. Miss Ray Houtz and Pearl Brancher are helping Mrs. James Moyer at the hotel. There was a glogm cast over the community on Sunday morning when the death of a good kind neighbor, Mr. Samuel Bitner, was made known.

Marriage Licenses.

Paul R. Hockman, Rebersburg; Verna S. Reish, Rebersburg; George H. Ayres, Philipsburg; Viola F. Beale, Philipsburg; John E. McTigue, Philipsburg; Doris Nash, Philipsburg; Robert W. Reed, Pennsylvania Furnace; Margaret J. Parson, Unionville.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Letters of administration on the estate of Peter Smith, late of Potter Township, deceased. Letters of administration on the above estate having been duly granted to the undersigned, they would respectfully request all persons knowing themselves indebted to the estate to make immediate payment, and those having claims against the same to present them duly authenticated for settlement. G. F. SMITH, Indianapolis, Ind. H. F. MURSER, Spring Mills, Pa.

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