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OUR LEGISLATURE MET ON MONDAY

For the Enactment of Many Reform Measures Penny.

WANTS HIS IDEAS ADOPTED

Lauds the Work of the Last Session--Can Get Through in a Month--Threatens to Recall Them Again--A Penitent Body.

The famous extra, Pennypacker, reform session of the Penna. Legislature assembled at Harrisburg on Monday and it is a remarkable gathering in many respects.

The work the Governor directs them to do is the consolidation of Pittsburgh and Allegheny; to increase the interest paid on deposits of the state's funds and to safeguard those deposits.

So pronounced and positive is the Governor that such legislation is necessary and can be easily accomplished.

All the old committees and machine actors are in the same positions as the last session. How genuine good can come from such forces.

As the Governor has ideas of his own regarding reapportionment, he has had bills prepared and introduced that may be adopted.

Up to this time rapid progress has been made to get the two bodies in working shape, and it looks as though a short session will be held.

Bills for the other reform measures have also been sent in embodying Pennypacker's wishes.

Gas Killed Him.

James McKeon, aged 63 years, a Civil War veteran, of Howard, Pa., was found asphyxiated in the Grand Hotel, Altoona, last Thursday morning.

THIRD COUNT.

In The School Teachers Book Award in Centre County

Bellefonte, Pa., Jan. 17, 1906. The following is the total number of votes cast in the Teachers' Book Award in the various Institute Districts in Centre county to this date:

Table with 2 columns: District Name and Total Votes. Includes First District, Second District, and Third District.

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Sample sets of the 20th Century Encyclopaedia have been placed at the following points in the county where the teachers are invited to call and carefully inspect each of the six volumes:

- List of locations where encyclopaedia sets are available: Bellefonte, Millheim, Spring Mills, Boalsburg, Centre Hall, Blain, Snyder, Snow Shoe, Unionville, and Howard.

Premium Ballots. In addition, we issue Premium Ballots at this office to all who pay for subscription on the following basis:

- 50 votes for 1 year on arrears, 100 votes for 1 year in advance, 200 votes for each new cash sub.

In any case where a transfer of subscription is made in the same family or household, during this contest, no coupons will be allowed.

20th CENTURY ENCYCLOPAEDIA

The Centre Democrat. NEWSPAPER BALLOT

No. 5, Jan. 18.

ONE VOTE FOR Name of Teacher

(Carefully insert in line below name of town or township where teacher is employed.)

This ballot, if cut along the border (must include the date) and sent to this office inside of 30 days from above date, will be good for one vote.

GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

A Large Gathering at Pine Grove Mills, Saturday.

ALL HAD A JOLLY GOOD TIME

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Bowersox Celebrate Their 50th Wedding Anniversary--Entertained Several Hundred in the I. O. O. F. Hall.

The fiftieth anniversary of the wedded life of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bowersox was celebrated by a Golden wedding, at Pine Grove Mills, last Saturday, and was one of the finest events of the kind yet held in this county.

The bridal party consisted of Hon. Fred Kurtz and Emma Hess; Jacob Bortoff and Anna Van Tries; John P. Harris and Beckie C. Fry; Michael Hess and Mary McWilliams; Col. J. L. Spangler and Angelina Bortoff; Capt. W. H. Fry and Sadie Heberling; these escorted the bride and groom to the main altar.

The names of the children present were: Mrs. J. B. Rockey, Fillmore; Mrs. T. D. Gray, Fairbrook; Mrs. John Gray, Laurelton; Mrs. Ida Harvy, State College; Mrs. Charles Weaver, Spring Mills; Edgar Bowersox, Altoona; Oscar Bowersox, Oak Grove; John Bowersox, Milroy; E. G. and Alfred at home; and Franklin of Philadelphia; William is dead--14 children, and 25 grand-children.

The entrance of the bridal party was signalled by the humming of a wedding march in a subdued tone by a bevy of ladies who were seated gypsy-like close to the floor. At the front of the hall, in the centre, stood Rev. Heckman of the M. E. church of Pine Grove, and Rev. Black of the Reformed church of Boalsburg.

Much credit is due Capt. Fry for the able manner in which he attended to the preliminaries that made the affair a pleasant one, and to the ladies of Pine Grove and vicinity who put their best domestic accomplishments forward to make the banquet fit for princes.

Following the banquet all were invited to the upper hall where congratulatory addresses were made by the pastors, also by Col. Spangler, Capt. Fry, Fred Kurtz and others.

The age of Mr. and Mrs. Bowersox, who are natives of Snyder county, is 70 years differing only a few months. They have 13 children living, and one dead.

of these 7 are living. His grand-father was born in northern Germany, and at the early age of 15 came to this country and became one of the pioneer settlers of Snyder county.

The children's gift was a costly tea set. With Capt. Fry's well arranged program, and Col. Spangler as master of ceremonies, the affair could not have been other than a splendid success.

The following names appeared on the register:

- List of names: J. G. Heberling, Wm H Fry, S. H. Williams, M. C. Garbick, W. G. O'Bryan, J. G. Gohsen, R. G. Gohsen, G. H. Woods, M. D. Michael Hess, J. Bortoff, Jacob Keller, John I. Olevine, Isaac Woerner, L. M. Houser, M. D. Win-Vantries, Howard Goss, D. G. Meek, J. F. Meyers, N. E. Hess, F. H. Clemson, F. D. Gray, G. J. Behers, J. M. Wighton, W. S. Wara, J. E. Rockey, D. A. Grove, D. W. Lowder, G. W. Hoeman, Dan'l Irvin, J. C. Harpster, H. W. McCracken, David Reed, J. N. Everts, H. W. Subday, A. W. Oliver, H. M. Krebs, T. A. Miller, S. P. Gray, J. A. Decker, Geo. E. Harber, E. W. McWilliams, J. M. Campbell, J. W. Ingram, J. B. Gohsen, W. H. Goss, H. A. Elder, A. M. Brown, R. M. Krebs, O. M. Bowersox, Harry Bowersox, John Bowersox, John Fry, Gordon Harper, all of whom were accompanied by their wives.

Mrs. Lacie Kaufman, Mrs. Maria Goss, Mrs. Marion Eattie, Mrs. Margaret Ewing and son, Mrs. H. O. Campbell, Mrs. Ida Long.

Hon. J. L. Spangler, Hon. Frederick Kurtz, J. L. Murphy, J. W. Fry, Jacob S. Reed, J. S. Miller, David Reed, A. S. Walker, Clarence Weaver, H. B. Gohsen, J. H. Miller, J. H. Ward, D. W. Miller, G. W. Keelohine, E. G. Bowersox, B. F. Bowersox, A. L. Bowersox, R. G. Bowersox, Homer Decker, Edgar Decker, Misses Bertha Meyer, Maud Decker, Estella M. Heberling, Edith Decker, Bertha Weaver, Myrtle Harper, Mabel Tanyer, Gertrude Keelohine, Margaret Keelohine, Sadie C. Keelohine, Sarah J. Reed, Margaret E. Reed, Edna Rockey, Helen Bowersox.

Master Waldo Gray, Earl Gray, Franklin Gray.

A GRAFTER CAUGHT.

Potter County Bridge Buyer Convicted for Illegal Transactions.

D. A. Sunderland, County Commissioner in Potter county. Was charged with defrauding the county by collusion with the agents of bridge companies in paying something like three times the value of iron bridges, and dividing the excess with the agents.

The evidence at his trial last week showed that there was no public or private competition for the work. Bridges were let at public bidding for \$650, \$508 and \$475, were paid for by the commissions in Potter county at \$1,650 and \$1,750 and upward, and the bridges were all furnished by the same company, the Canton Bridge company.

The contracts of the bridge company called for payments to be made to the home office of the company, but only the first payment, one third of the price, was paid there, the remaining two-thirds being paid to the agent who contracted for the bridges by a local bank.

The jury returned a verdict of guilty, which gives general satisfaction to the community. There remain other indictments for conspiracy, etc., to be tried. The uncompromising, straightforward course of Judge Ormerod, in exposing the bad state of things in that county, is justified and vindicated by the result.

Mrs. Brown's Evidence Proved It.

At one of Bellefonte's latest society gatherings, three ladies were discussing the taste and extravagances of the people of today, compared with the relative expenditures of a generation ago.

The Lock Haven Express says that several days ago a traveling man was walking up Bellefonte avenue and noticed Frank Harder's name on his store.

Up in Ferguson there is a rather strange freak of nature occurred at Mrs. Thos. D. Decker's barn. One of her cows gave birth to a calf but the cow refused to own it, on Saturday she gave birth to a second calf which she took kindly to.

When John Strunk went to his barn on Friday morning he found that his best cow, worth \$50, had committed suicide by banging herself.

Killed Deer and Paid For It.

Game Warden Berrier on Thursday secured a conviction against R. D. Stewart, Westport, Clinton county, for killing a deer and the offender paid a fine and costs of \$122.22. Then, incensed over the matter, he supplied the warden with some information and Berrier expects to catch a couple of more men soon.

TROUBLES OVER VACCINATION LAW

Test Case Instituted by Attorney General Carson.

AGAINST WAYNESBORO BOARD

The Provisions of the Act are Indefinite --The New Burial Act Causes Trouble--Too Much Red Tape--Should be Repealed.

That many poorly constructed laws are enacted at each session of the legislature is evident. At present two acts of assembly are giving the authorities in various parts of the state much trouble.

The attempt to enforce the vaccination of school children has caused no end of trouble. Down in Lock Haven several hundred children were debarred from school privileges on that account.

The burial act imposes a large number of conditions upon undertakers, managers of cemeteries, and others, that truly are burdensome and unreasonable.

Wm. H. Goodfellow, the leading hardware merchant of Altoona, was sued for \$50,000 for breach of promise of marriage, Wednesday morning by Miss Bertha A. Fagley, a pretty young woman, of Altoona.

Maiden Files \$50,000 Claim.

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A Highly Prized Cent.

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Monument Dedication.

The day for the unveiling and dedication of the soldier's monument has been fixed for Friday, June 8th.

Mid Winter Banquet.

The Centre County Association, in Philadelphia, will hold their annual Mid-Winter Banquet at "The Majestic," corner Broad and Grand, Wednesday evening, February 7th, to which all Centre countians and their families are invited.

FACT, FUN AND FANCY.

Bright, Sparkling Paragraphs--Selected and Original.

AS IT OFTEN HAPPENS.

When our hero did his courting in the golden long ago He declared that her small fingers never real toll should know.

Borrow trouble, see double.

An ounce of logic is worth a pound of oratory. If at first you don't succeed there are lots of people to say you never will.

The woman-haters are not all married.

A new leaf is really the same old one with another turn. The girl who thinks she is pretty is just as well satisfied with herself as the girl who really is.

How hard it is to make some coal dealers understand that you want a ton of small stove coal, instead of a small ton of coal.

Musicians are divided into two classes--those who like to hear themselves play, and those who like to hear themselves sing.

Some people regard a collection basket as a slot machine in which they drop a dime with the hope of getting out a dollar's worth of religion.

The Bloomsburg Press revives a story first told by Dr. Anspach, pastor of the First Lutheran church, of Williamsport, at a social function during the meeting of the synod in Bloomsburg some years ago.

HAZERS PAY DEARLY.

State College Students Assault House Lodging Under Classmen. Following close on the students' strike, State College has had a hazing sensation, and although the affair has already been settled, it cost the students enough to keep the matter green in their memory for some time to come.

Last Friday evening 200 lower classmen determined to haze some of the "Buttermilk Club," students in the creamery course. Several of these lodged at the residence of M. W. Smith, a photographer.

The Post Office Ready.

The regular post-office business at State College will be conducted on and after this week in the handsomely equipped quarters on Allen street.