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The Anti-Cigarette Law.

The new anti-cigarette law passed recently by the Legislature appears in another column of The Commercial. This is pronounced a very severe law and if carried out will prove very effective in breaking up the cigarette habit in which too many boys indulge. A law existed before, but this is more drastic and the boy and the cigarette will not come into contact so frequently in the future in Pennsylvania as in the past. Read the act and obey the law.

Pull Together.

The question still is, what new business can be located in Meyersdale? The location is almost ideal, but the prospects so far have not materialized. The Commercial Club has not yet been able to land business. It is taken for granted that the club is doing all that can be done, but results of these efforts so far are not obvious. Will the tariff bill which passed the House get the blame for it? Perhaps the best way to get business here is not to go out and get others here but get busy ourselves and push on our own account.

House Passes Tariff Bill.

The Underwood tariff bill has been passed by the House of Representatives. The bill came out of the committee in a very brief period of time and the House pushed the measure rapidly to a conclusion. In the final line-up it was found that the overwhelming majority party, the Democrats, had five among their number who in the last test would not vote of the bill, and that the minority party, the Republicans, the stand pats and the Bull Moosers could not hurl a solid front against the bill and that nine Republicans voted for the Democratic measure.

The bill is now before the Senate for consideration. Senator Penrose is leading the opposition. He promises the country that he will use his best endeavors to safeguard the interests of the people in opposing the tariff bill. He is the senator who last fall led the Republicans of Pennsylvania, but they refused to follow.

The promise is here that a desperate battle will be fought in the Senate, but the result will likely be that the bill practically, as it passed the House, will be passed by the Senate and then be signed by President Wilson.

Go Forward.

The expressions of approval on the "Practical and the Sanitary" of last week's Commercial were numerous, and this gives us the encouragement to feel that we have expressed the sentiment of many people of Meyersdale—clean streets. This should require no argument, and yet our business streets are filthy. Is the town helpless in the matter? The town council has general oversight of the whole town. With the funds at their disposal possibly they cannot do what they feel ought to be done, but right here is where an organization of the nature of the Civic League accomplishes its good work. The citizens have been generous in supporting their efforts for that which is more ornamental than useful, while clean streets would certainly be an ornament to the town and be pre-eminently practical, economical and sanitary, and we believe a movement for clean streets and a clean town in general, in which the Civic League would lead off, would receive splendid response by the people generally. It is worth the effort, and we believe success would crown the attempt. At any rate, if only partial success would result or even failure, there are many who believe it is better to have tried and failed than never to have tried at all.

For the Municipality.

It may seem early and, perhaps, premature to raise the important question with reference to our borough officers, to direct the affairs of the municipality, resulting from the election next fall.

While it is natural that in national affairs we have the Conservative and the Progressive, the high tariff and the low tariff men, the strong Feudalist and State's right men, the Republican and the Democrat et al., but in a town, the size of Meyersdale, those larger questions should not come to the front and politics should not have much weight in making choice for our officeholders. It should not be a question of party politics as such, but a question of men. A burgess must be elected. A new man must be chosen according to law. The question should not be, is he a Republican—organization or Bull Moose—a Democrat, a Prohibitionist or a Socialist. What the town wants is the best man available for the place.

Some of the school directors' terms expire, likewise of the town council. We do not recall who they are, nor do we know if they are candidates for re-election. That is not the point. That which we wish to emphasize is this: The town needs the best man available for burgess, the best men for school directors, the best men for town council, and so down the line. Let the matter of party name be forgotten and the matter of men—men who will make good—be remembered and be entrusted with the government of the city. A municipality does the best service for itself when it selects capable and faithful servants to take care of its interests.

Who is going to lead off for a home base ball team?

Two shows in one week in Meyersdale, ought to be a plenty.

MEMORIAL DAY is deserving of the best efforts of Meyersdale.

YES, Meyersdale is a nice town, but don't look at the rubbish on the streets.

GOOD LUCK to the boys and girls who will raise potatoes and tomatoes this summer.

OF COURSE the Fire company will join in the Memorial day parade. Why not all the Fraternal organizations and the Sunday Schools?

PICKED UP IN PENNSYLVANIA

New Castle.—Fred Morris, aged 4, son of A. Morris, died in New Castle hospital from burns he received when his twin brother set fire to the bed on which he was playing.

Connellsville.—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stinger are the parents of a two-pound baby, born recently. The child is normal except in size.

Woodlawn.—George Pitton is in the Providence hospital, Beaver Falls, with a bullet wound in the abdomen and John Biriak is in the local jail accused of the shooting.

Brookville.—Members of the senate and house appropriations committees, accompanied by members of the state forestry commission, were here looking over the Cook timber tract, which may be purchased for a state park.

New Castle.—By a compromise, the strike of 20 electrical workers here was settled when the men were given an increase in wages.

Waynesburg.—Irwin Morris, aged 8, was saved from drowning in Ten Mile creek by his brother, Alta, aged 10. Irwin sank twice before his brother realized he was in danger.

Kittanning.—Thomas Hutchison, 65, foreman of factory No. 3 of the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co. at Ford City, dropped dead while at work.

Pittsburg.—Because her husband nagged her, a woman testified to a coroner's jury at Oakdale, that she decided to get rid of her baby by throwing it into Robinson's Run. The jury held Mrs. Annie Sember for the grand jury on a charge of murder. On April 24 the five-weeks-old baby was found in the run.

Johnstown.—The big power plant and tippie owned by the Consolidated Coal Co. at Ralplton, Somerset county, was destroyed by fire. Work in the mines will be suspended for some time. The loss is heavy. The cause of the fire is unknown.

Philadelphia.—Receivers were appointed for N. Z. Graves Co., varnish manufacturers of this city, upon application of creditors and stockholders in the United States district court here. The assets of the company are given as \$4,000,000 and the liabilities at about \$1,500,000.

Sharon.—During the presentation of a drama here given by amateurs under the auspices of a local lodge, the heroine, Miss Nina Shaffer, while heaping invectives upon the head of the villain, suddenly collapsed and lost consciousness. In the excitement Frederick McIntyre, the villain, accidentally shot himself in the left hand with a revolver.

Hershey.—John Hawk, of Union Deposit, employed by the Hershey Chocolate Co., had his right arm severely lacerated when he fell through a window in the factory.

Philadelphia.—The convention of the Protestant Episcopal diocese of Pennsylvania adopted a resolution urging the necessity of a health certificate before marriage. The resolution requested the clergy to safeguard the integrity of the race and the home, and to insist upon the presentation of a health certificate to the effect that those whom they are to marry has neither an incurable nor communicable disease. The move to change the name of the Protestant Episcopal church was voted down. In a resolution the convention declared it inexpedient to change the name of the church by inserting the word "Catholic" in the title.

Johnstown.—The problem of furnishing school facilities to the children of Somerset township has been tackled by Jacob Gerhard, former prothonotary, who takes the place made vacant by the removal of Joseph Auman from the township. The question is a difficult one, there being about 200 pupils widely scattered in sections north, south, east and west of the borough. It is thought that buildings will have to be erected on the north, east and south sides, the population on the west side being somewhat sparser.

Philadelphia.—Philadelphia will have seven weeks of grand opera next winter by the Philadelphia-Chicago Grand Opera Co., as a result of a conference of the Philadelphia leaders of the company here. Cleofonte Campanini will be the general manager of the company, succeeding Andreas Dippel, who recently resigned. The question of grand opera in Chicago, it is said, hinges on the situation in Philadelphia, and it is now believed that the company will give performances in Chicago the same as last winter.

Sunbury.—Lumber on a wagon slipped forward and struck the horses, causing them to run down a bank at Herndon, jump on to a flat boat and plunge into the river. On the flat boat were 11 persons ready to be ferried across the river. Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Rogar and daughter, Esther, Miss Helen Snyder and Charles Schaffer, the driver, were all thrown in the river, but were rescued by men on the boat who dived after them. Schaffer had his leg broken. The horse swam to shore and the lumber was recovered by men on flat boats.

Waynesburg.—Gertrude Belle Miller of McCracken, Greene county, is in the Waynesburg hospital suffering from a fractured skull she sustained when a spirited horse she was driving ran away.

Harrisburg.—Announcement was made by the state board of education at the conclusion of its May meeting that the state school fund now contains \$42,000, escheats of estates to the commonwealth. That is the first public announcement regarding the fund and it was also stated that it would shortly receive 80 per cent of 23,000 from forestry lands.

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AUCTION!

SATURDAY, MAY 17TH,

Beginning at 10 A. M., and Continuing Throughout the Afternoon and Evening.

We have rented our Warehouse, and in order to place it in readiness for the occupants, we are obliged to close out the stock at once. The following are a few of the articles to be sold:

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| One lot of No. 1 White Middlings, | apples, Succotash, Peas, Jellies and Marmalades. |
| One lot of No. 2 White Middlings, | Raisins in Cartons. |
| One lot of Brown (Poland) Middlings, | Quaker Gelatine, |
| One small lot of Crocks, | Shoe Polish, |
| One small lot of Jars, | Lightning Cleanser, |
| Lot of Soap Grease, | Wash Blue, |
| Several lots of Canned Goods, such as Lima Beans, Pumpkins, Blackberries, Apricots, Peaches, Pineapple Chunks, Sliced Pine- | Good Rink, (coffee substitute), |
| | Apitizo, (grape nuts) etc. |

ALSO A LOT OF SECOND-HAND GOODS AS FOLLOWS:

Belting, Ropes, Block-and-Tackle, Crowbars, Shovels, Forks, Wheelbarrow, Lard Tubs, Picks, Steel Cable Rope, Harness, etc.

We Will Also Offer for Sale

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| One lot of Shoes, | One lot of Men's Shirts, |
| | One lot of Neckties, |
| | One lot of Men's and Boys' Suits and Overcoats, |
| | One lot of Ladies' Jacket Suits. |

Also China Plates, Glass Pitchers, Lamps, Notions, Curtains, Carpets and other articles too numerous to mention.

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