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## COUNCIL MEETING

### All Business Brought Before This August Body Was Summarily Disposed Of.

Council met in regular session on Monday evening promptly at 8:00 o'clock. All the members were present. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Officer Cramer was present and stated that he had made a general inspection of wires, poles, and conduits and found everything in good condition.

U. J. Christner was present and asked for a crossing over the Flaugher creek. He also said he thought the council should see that the snow is kept shoveled from street leading from his property into town. Mr. Christner agreed to furnish the cables for the crossing. Council instructed him to draw up a petition.

### FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Active account.....	\$ 137 08
Sinking fund.....	2761 64
Total.....	\$2898 72

The secretary was instructed to notify the treasurer to render bill to S. C. Hartley for full amount for resetting curb on Main street.

On motion of Bauman, seconded by Staub, the secretary was instructed to notify collector Sides that Council expects him to be ready to settle for all taxes at the next regular meeting.

The secretary was instructed to notify the county treasurer to settle for all the unseated lands due the borough.

Moved by Bauman and seconded by Staub, that the millage be made the same as last year 2-1-2 for eight year bond and interest 3 per cent. General expenses 3-1-2, also that \$1.00 poll tax be laid on each male voter.

The secretary was instructed to prepare the duplicate between this and the first of May.

R. H. Philson was present and presented statement of accounts, and street paving and poll tax due the borough.

On motion by Darnley and seconded by Emigh, the secretary was instructed to open a ledger account of all unpaid accounts due the borough, including the pole, wire and trolley tax.

### WATER AND LIGHT COMMITTEE.

The lights are being installed and are giving entire satisfaction.

### STREET COMMITTEE.

The committee reported that water was running over the pavements at several places. The street commissioner reported that he had looked after these places and attended to the matter.

### BURGESS' REPORT.

The burgess made his report. On motion by Darnley, seconded by Staub, the report was received and ordered filed.

On motion of Bauman and seconded by Saylor, the secretary was instructed to notify the Bell Telephone company, that the bill rendered for pole and wire tax is correct.

The finance committee was instructed to consult the solicitor with reference to the election of a street commissioner under the new law, and regarding the wire tax.

The president instructed the finance committee to inquire whether or not the Commercial Club has the proper fire insurance on the building now in use by the shirt factory.

### BILLS RECEIVED.

J. J. Hammers.....	\$ 9 48
Conrad Saylor.....	9 48
John Austin.....	6 60
John Lindeman.....	8 25
J. O. Weller.....	10 00
W. H. Klingaman.....	6 50
Policeman Cramer.....	30 00
Policeman Hare.....	30 00
Meyersdale Machine Works.....	17 50
Baer & Co., tile, etc.....	6 23
C. C. Nangle, auditor.....	3 00
E. G. Miller, auditor.....	3 00
E. J. Dickey, auditor.....	3 00
E. J. Dickey, secretary.....	4 41
John Opel, planks.....	22 00
J. G. Emert, county recorder.....	1 75
P. J. Cover & Son.....	1 00
County Fire Insurance Co.....	1 13

On motion by Bauman and seconded by Darnley, it was decided to collect one-half the license tax assessed on pool tables, and bowling alleys, required by the ordinance and to render a receipt in full for the year.

On motion by Darnley and seconded by Emigh, it was decided to refund one-half of the amount of license to Chas. Stahl, which he had paid to the borough.

J. O. Weller reported the following with reference to the sewer connection on Main street above the B. & O. railroad.

Herman Deal made three connections to the Main street sewer.

C. E. Deal paid to the railroad company before the sewer was built. Jos. VonMoos paid \$10; \$3.33 1-3 to three men.

Jacob Bittner was in the sewer before Floto built the line. Cook & Son tapped the sewer but does not know whether he paid or not.

A. T. Hamil thinks Herman Deal paid for digging line.

The secretary was instructed to consult the solicitor and arrange a date to meet the council to adjust certain matters relative to accounts and sewer connections.

Harry Burley asked for street grade on Garrett road. No action taken.

On motion, council adjourned at 11:00 o'clock to meet at the call of the president.

## CHARLES F. UHL.

Charles F. Uhl, the well known Somerset merchant and linguist, died on Thursday, at his home in Somerset, after an illness of several weeks.

Death was caused by uremic poisoning. The funeral will be held to-day at 2 o'clock, the services to be in charge of the Rev. I. Hess Wagner, pastor of Trinity Lutheran church.

Mr. Uhl came to Somerset when a young man to attend the Somerset Academy, a school conducted by Nathan C. Schaeffer now state superintendent of public instruction in Pennsylvania, where he was a schoolmate of George F. Baer, now president of the Philadelphia & Reading Railway company. Mr. Uhl was one of the best mathematicians in Somerset county and also was a Greek, Latin and German scholar of unusual ability.

After completing his education Mr. Uhl taught school several years prior to engaging in the mercantile business in Somerset.

Mr. Uhl was born in Wellersburg, this county, on March 20, 1838, a son of Charles and Eliza Uhl. He was a member of a family of 14 children, 13 of whom were boys. His only sister, Mrs. Levi Wilhelm, of Chicago, died about six weeks ago. Besides his wife, Mrs. Annie E. Uhl, he is survived by two children, Charles F. Uhl, Jr., the well-known Somerset attorney, and Annie, wife of Dr. John N. Snyder. He is also survived by three brothers—William F. Uhl, of Uniontown, Pa., a former Somerset county commissioner; Attorney John H. Uhl, of Somerset, Pa., and George Uhl, of Mt. Savage, Md.

### IN MEMORY.

It having pleased the great Creator of the universe in His infinite wisdom and tender mercy to call from our midst our Brother, Thomas F. Mahon, a member of Friendship Lodge No. 76, Loyal Order of Moose, Meyersdale, Pa., we, who survive, bow our heads in humble submission to His divine will.

Therefore, be it Resolved, that this lodge extend the bereaved family and friends of our brother our sincerest sympathy to show that with them we mourn the great loss of a friend and brother.

Therefore, be it further resolved, that the charter be draped for 30 days, a copy of this resolution be published in the several papers and copies sent to the members of the family.

The Meyersdale band led the funeral cortege and played "Abide With Me." Preceding them, the G. A. R. Post and the drum corps stationed themselves in front of the Hoeking building on Centre street and while the remains of Comrade Daugherty were passing, the drum corps played the dead march and the Post stood "at salute the dead."

One could not help but have a feeling of sadness come over him, when he looked at a small section of the remnant of the victorious army of fifty years ago, and wonder how long they could stand out when taps would be sounded for the last one, until they all sleep in God's acre.

### MASTERS IN DIVORCE.

Judge Ruppel appointed masters in divorce cases as follows: Susan Albright vs. Albert Albright, Attorney Valentine Hay, master; Robert E. Stone vs. Mae Stone, Attorney Aaron C. Holbert, master; Mabel Putnam vs. Robert N. Putnam, Attorney A. L. G. Hay, master.

### SLEIGHING PARTY.

On Wednesday night Miss Emma Merrill entertained a number of Berlin friends at her home on Walker street, Garrett. The first part of the evening was spent in dancing followed by a very nice lunch, after which the young folks engaged in cards and various other games. The party consisted of the following:

Misses Ethel Buckman, Dollie Philson, Rae Heffly, Mert Calhoun, Bertha Philson, Luella Keefer, Berlin; Miss Ted Broucher, Somerset; Miss Nelle Bittner, Meyersdale, and Miss Edna Custer, Garrett; Messrs. Dippy Cable, William Krisinger, Frank Groff, Howard Deeter, Emmet Buckman, Berlin; Mr. Williams, Virginia; Heg Nedrow, Earl Miller, Hubert Devore and Charles Merrill, of Garrett.

### WANTS DIVORCE.

August Krause, of Elk Lick township, filed a libel in divorce against his wife, Mary Nicholson Krause, whom he charges with desertion.

### UNION SERVICES.

The union service in the Reformed Sunday school building on Sunday evening was a success. A blizzard was raging on the outside, but a good sized congregation braved the storm and snow. The pastor conducted the opening service, Rev. H. L. Gough. A union choir led the music in familiar hymns. Karl Leith sang a solo, accompanied by Mrs. H. M. Cook, on the piano, and Mr. H. M. Cook on the violin.

The sermon was a strong and heroic message delivered in chaste and vigorous English.

## FOUGHT HIS LAST FIGHT

### W. M. Daugherty, a Veteran of the Civil War and a Veteran Railroader, Dies After a Brief Illness.

WM. M. DAUGHERTY.

William M. Daugherty, a veteran of the Civil War, and a tried and faithful former employe of the B. & O. railroad laid down his burden on Sunday morning at 10 o'clock when the frail body yielded to the summons to which every one has to respond sooner or later.

He was born at Saltsburg, Indiana county on February 13, 1847, and died March 1, 1914, aged 67 years, and 18 days. He came to Meyersdale in the fall of 1881 and went to work on the B. & O. in the spring of 1882 and was in the employ of the company for a period of more than 27 years, principally as conductor on the Salisbury branch. For the last four years he had been on the pension list.

He was twice married, first to Sadie Rumbaugh, when he was about 20 years old, who died 34 years ago. He was later married to Mrs. Mary Wilcox of Saltsburg, Indiana county, who survive him with four sons as follows—Frank of Listie, James of Versailles, Thomas of New Castle, and Joseph of town, and one step-son, Charles Wilcox, of Cheat Haven. One brother Harry K., of Ravenna, O., and one sister, Mrs. Gussie Wee of Glenwood, Pa., also survive him. There are fifteen grandchildren living.

Mr. Daugherty saw service in the war of the Rebellion. He enlisted at the age of eighteen for a period of ninety days but served over his term of enlistment until the end of the war.

He had been frequently honored by his fellow townsmen by choosing him as judge of election, which office he held for a number of years. Last fall he was a candidate for the office of burgess and while defeated, losing some votes, due doubtless to his failing physical condition; yet all were sorry to see Billy Daugherty go down in defeat.

He was a member of the Railway Conductors, M. C. Lowry Post, G. A. R., honorary member of the Fire Department, and a charter member of the Meyersdale Band.

For the last year or more he had been failing in health and especially since the death of his son which occurred on December 16, 1913.

The funeral was held yesterday at the home of the deceased at 1:30 o'clock in charge of the Grand Army Post, and at 2:00 o'clock services were conducted by Rev. G. A. Neeld. Burial was made in the Union cemetery.

### WILL HOLD EXAMINATION, SATURDAY.

An examination for the licensing of those wishing to practice midwifery in Somerset county, will be held in the High School building next Saturday afternoon between the hours of one and three. Any practicing midwifery under the Act of June 1913, is required to hold a State license, and all those wishing to practice this should procure a license.

Any further information desired by any one can be obtained by addressing Dr. C. P. Large, Meyersdale, Pa.

### HELP FOR A NEW INDUSTRY.

With the start made in more enterprises for a bigger Meyersdale in landing a shirt factory, the door seems to be open for something still bigger and the beginning seems here for more enterprises. Another industry seems ready to come to Meyersdale and the question is can Meyersdale furnish the help? The new industry will need about 100 women and about 25 men. All those who are available should send their applications to F. W. Plock, sec., Commercial Club.

### GROUNDHOG WEATHER.

Somerset county has again been visited by another blizzard, delaying trains, blocking the trolley cars and generally tying up matters. The little animal, known as the ground hog, has made good with a vengeance. And for the next ten years people will prove that the groundhog is a reliable weather prognosticator and will try to prove it by referring to the year of Our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and fourteen. But for the encouragement of frail humanity, March has come in like a lion and not surely lamblike weather will soon make its appearance.

## LINCOLN CHAUTAUQUA.

The Lincoln Chautauqua, with whom Meyersdale has a contract for an assembly this next season, seems to be very actively preparing for the assembly.

In recent letters received from their offices it is announced that the program is all but completed; and that it will be a marked improvement over even our last year's program.

The managers say that the 1914 talent is costing the System fifty per cent more than last year's talent and that other improvements in keeping with this plan are being effected.

This year the System expects to participate more actively in the program of local Chautauqua interest and spirit. President Wilson and the managers plan to send out well trained and able organizers who will put the experience of the entire System at the disposal of the local committee.

Judging from their letters it would seem that managers of this Lincoln entertainment college are applying the very best principles of business to their institution. They are dealing with hundreds of communities and necessarily are becoming experts in community interests, activities, and methods, as well as excellent judges of community virtues and shortcomings.

Their experience and judgment are now to be placed at our disposition by personal representatives. If the program and the relations between the local managers and the people of Meyersdale and vicinity are to be improved as much as seems certain, it looks like "everybody will be doing" Chautauqua next summer.

Considering the favorable conditions of the Lincoln System's contract and their fine relations with our people it seems that it would probably be difficult, if not impossible, for our business men to make an arrangement elsewhere quite as agreeable and satisfactory to all of our people, as is this annual big week of the Chautauqua.

## L. O. O. M. AT THE PASTIME.

The Moose and their friends were out in large numbers on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings at the moving picture show in the Pastime Theatre, where many scenes connected with the farm and vocational institution of the L. O. O. M. located at Mooseheart, Illinois, were presented. Mr. Daniel J. Maher explained the aims and purposes of the Fraternity and the Mooseheart Home. At times standing room was a premium.

## RECENTLY MARRIED.

Miss Claribel Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Johnson, formerly of this place but now of Rochester, Pa., was married to Frederick G. Wheatley, a prominent business man of Pittsburgh, at the home of her sister, Mrs. J. R. Divens, at McKeesport, Wednesday February 25th. After a wedding dinner, the young couple left McKeesport for Confluence, The Confluence band gave them a rousing send-off. After extending their visit through West Virginia, and Ohio, they will reside on the N. S. Pittsburgh.

## HERE FROM CALIFORNIA.

Benjamin Shepp, who was born near Berlin, is on a visit to Somerset county from his home in California. Mr. Shepp is a veteran of the civil war, having served in a Maryland regiment. He moved to Kansas in 1883 and to Pasadena, California, in 1887. He has made half a dozen trips across the continent. His mother was a Beachey and is related to the Beacheyes of Meyersdale and vicinity. He arrived in Meyersdale on Monday during the big blizzard and instead of attempting to go to Salisbury to see his sister, Mrs. Hannah Miller, he stopped with Dr. McKinley until the trail was opened between Meyersdale and Salisbury. Mr. Shepp is past 70 years but is vigorous in mind and body and an interesting gentleman to meet.

## BASKET BALL.

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Tonight the Meyersdale team goes to Cumberland, to play the Y. M. C. A. team.

## ROWE NOT GUILTY.

The case in which Fred Rowe of Meyersdale, was charged with perjury by Levi Deal of Grove City, Pa., taken up Thursday afternoon, was concluded Monday afternoon, when the jury returned a verdict of not guilty, but assessing the defendant with one-third and the prosecutor with two-thirds of the costs.

Judge Ruppel instructed the jury that there could be no conviction of perjury and that the only question the jury could pass on was one of costs. The charge against Mr. Rowe was based on the ownership of certain shares of stock in the Erie Coal & Coke Company, a mining property in Butler county. It alleged that Rowe had pledged stock certificates of the Erie Coal & Coke company, standing in his name, as collateral for notes given the banking institution conducted by S. D. Livengood of Meyersdale. The collateral was subsequently transferred to Levi Deal by Harry M. Berkley, assignee of S. D. Livengood. At a meeting of the stockholders of the company held at Meyersdale in August, 1913, Mr. Deal was not permitted to vote the stock purchased from Berkley when an affidavit was presented to the judges of election by Rowe in which the affiant set forth that the stock in controversy was his property. The plan of Deal to secure control of the company was thus frustrated for the time being and he instituted criminal proceedings against Rowe for perjury. The evidence all went to show that the Act of Assembly regulating the proceedings of corporations had not been complied with, and therefore no guilt attached to the defendant. The case was bitterly contested from start to finish by opposing counsel.

## SLEIGHING PARTY.

A crowd of young folks of Summit township, taking advantage of the fine sleighing last week drove to Salisbury on Friday evening to the home of Mrs. Margaret Glotfelty, where the evening was spent in playing various games after which refreshments were served which had been prepared by the young ladies. The following composed the party:—The Misses Emma and Orpha Meyers, Sadie Schrock, Mary Fike, Darl Saler, Stella Miller, Zenna Ebbecka, Nettie Maust, Ruth Bowman, and Zephia, Ada and Dorothy Glotfelty, and Harry Saler, Albert and Harry Meyers, John Schrock, Walter Fike, Harold Sipple, Albert Maust and Wm. Herwig.

## DEATH'S HARVEST.

JACOB J. ZORN.

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