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DOINGS OF THE COUNTY COURT

In an opinion handed down last week Judge Ruppel set aside the surcharge made against the school board of Milford township by the auditors. The directors had issued orders covering the charge of pupils who attended school in Rockwood.

In the case of the Farmers National Bank vs. Harry J. and Frank Stahl, Sheriff Hochard is directed to apply the money received from a sale held last spring to the writ of Harvey P. Pyle instead of the bank.

The exceptions filed to the account of the guardian of David Kuhlman were overruled by Judge Ruppel.

The jury in the case of Madison U. Walker's Committee vs. Harry M. Berkley, et al. returned a verdict of \$3,500 for the plaintiff, the Somerset Trust Company.

Settlements were announced in the cases of O. P. Thomas vs. Hooversville Water Company and W. A. Garman vs. Louis Engleke.

A verdict for \$25 in favor of W. L. Morrison was returned in his case against M. W. Pyle, et al.

A settlement was effected in the case of E. F. Bittner, administratrix vs. L. G. Jones.

Notice has been given by Clerk of Courts Harrah that James W. Brown has filed an application in the Court of quarter sessions for a transfer of the tavern license now held by Wm. O. Leah, for the Hentz Hotel at Garrett. The application will be presented to Judge Ruppel on Friday, December 18th, at 10 a. m.

Wm. H. Ruppel has handed down an opinion overruling the objections of the Erie Coal company to directors: Levi Deal, C. E. Deal, Ezra Deal and James M. Deal. The objections have been filed by Fred Rowe, Harry L. Miller and Perry C. Miller. This gives the Deals control of the company after a series of legal tangles which began more than a year ago.

Judge Telford, of Indiana, came to hear the case of Elsie Croyle vs. the Johnstown Water Company. She has a farm about one and one half miles from the Benscreek and Stonycreek junction, Somerset county. Norman T. Boose and Berkey & Shaver represent Mrs. Croyle. The Johnstown firm is represented by Attorneys Endsley & Davies, and Uhl & Ealy. The purpose of the hearing is to contest the rights of the company to go over the land. The plaintiff denies that the company is authorized by provisions of its charter to enter on this land and take the water. The necessity of taking any water at all will also be fought by the plaintiff.

Shoenfeld & Co., of Johnstown, has been awarded \$156.40 in a suit brought against C. S. Vannear's administrator. The award represents the cost of an overcoat bought by Mr. Vannear, who is now dead. It was brought out in the testimony that the overcoat was made for Mr. Vannear, who sent it back. The company then brought suit to recover, claiming that the coat was a perfect fit. C. H. Ealy is the administrator. The case of Sarah E. Shober, Marling M. Shober, and Nellie E. Shober vs. L. A. Meyers was settled by the payment of \$510 by Mr. Meyers. More of Harvey M. Berkley's transactions will be aired in court during the latter part of the week, when the case of Madison U. Walker's Committee vs. Harvey M. Berkley, et al. will be taken up. The suit is to recover \$10,000 on a bond.

Harry Goldberg's suit against Crown Mutual Fire Insurance company to recover \$1,038 on merchandise destroyed fire at Berlin was taken up Tuesday morning.

The heaviest penalty meted out was imposed upon John Harris, charged by Constable Edward Arisman of Boswell with operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated. He was sentenced to pay a fine of \$100 and costs.

In the case of George A. Reed, charged by James Cunningham with embezzlement, the Jury returned a verdict of not guilty, placing two-thirds of the costs on the prosecutor and one-third on the defendant.

Settlements were arrived at in the cases of E. M. Kittle, charged by I. E. Keller with larceny, and John Good, charged by R. M. Speicher with damaging the property of a livery stable keeper.

Carl Beatty, charged by George E. Arisman with assault and battery, pleaded guilty and was let off with a fine of \$20 and the costs.

RECENTLY MARRIED IN THE COUNTY.

Miss Marian Schmucker, and Melvin Winters of Somerset, were married in Cumberland recently. Mr. Winters is a civil engineer in the employ of one of the coal companies. Mrs. Winters, until recently was bookkeeper in her father's hardware store, having graduated from the Cambria Business college, Johnstown, where she has many friends.

Miss Myrtle Ivy Shawley, of New Paris, Pa., and Harold Arthur Oldham, of Ogle township, were married at the residence of the officiating magistrate, Justice of the Peace, L. D. Sine, of Shade township.

Miss Catharine Blough, and Homer Baer both of Jerome, were married at the office of the officiating magistrate, Justice of the Peace, Kore Kaufman, of Conemaugh township.

Miss Mattie Hosteler and Daniel Gilbert, both of Holsopple were married at Davidsville, by the Rev. Norman H. Blough.

Miss Mary Belle Summers and John N. Niemiller, both of Berkeley Mills were married at the parsonage of Zion's Reformed church at Berlin, by Rev. Henry Harbaugh Wiant.

Miss Elsie F. Keyser, of Jenner township, and Thomas S. Olise, of Ralphton, were married at the home of the bride's parents, by Rev. O. E. McCauley.

NUMBERS GROWING TALLER

This is the last week of the blue votes, be sure and have all votes in by Wednesday December 16th. No blue votes that are cast after that date will count.

Each voting day sees more interest and enthusiasm than the previous one, and each week sees several new enrollments. The fact that this contest is not one of luck or chance is easily demonstrated by the fact that the contestants who are working are the ones whose standings are the highest.

The weekly silverware prizes will not be given out for one more week, that plan will be fully explained to every contestant in a special personal letter that we will send out sometime in the near future. A great many persons are enrolling for these special prizes of silverware and gold watches, and whether you would win the grand prize of the Player Piano or not a prize of this kind would more than repay you for your work.

The most active contestants are keeping their standings well up by using the Silverware Cards, collecting the coupons from the Commercial, and by turning in subscriptions to the Commercial.

Below is the standing of contestants having over 2000 votes after the last voting day, Wednesday Dec. 9th.

No.	Votes.	No.	Votes.
1	53,115	4	46,325
10	66,990	18	40,245
20	48,540	21	30,000
22	51,545	26	40,000
27	40,000	28	55,015
33	46,795	38	47,070
40	55,315	47	35,225
53	42,500	59	35,000
62	59,315	64	40,315
67	43,680	72	40,280
73	57,400	93	41,805
112	40,000	144	40,000
145	39,350	151	42,680
152	42,850	153	47,045
154	46,000	155	40,000
156	40,000	157	65,185
158	40,580	159	45,750
160	40,000	161	67,235
162	49,885	163	43,510
164	46,100	165	49,295
166	45,540	167	48,000
168	49,385	169	45,000
170	40,000	171	45,000
172	45,000	173	58,980
174	45,530	175	46,305
176	35,410	177	40,000
178	43,250	179	5,950

MASONS ELECT NEW OFFICERS.

At the regular meeting of the Free and Accepted Masons, Lodge No. 554 of Meyersdale, held on Monday evening at their rooms in the Citizens Bank building the following officers were elected for a period of one year: W. M., Paul D. Clinton; S. W., Harry E. Habel; J. W., Clarence Rowe; Treasurer, S. Calvin Hartley; Secretary, M. A. Rutter; Trustees, S. B. Philson, Wm. H. Habel, John M. Oates; Representative to Grand Lodge, Ralph D. Pfahler.

B. & O. Cut-Off Will Benefit Somerset Co.

The Johnstown Tribune says:—With the opening of the Magnolia cut-off line of the B. & O. railroad between Orleans Road and Little Cacapon, W. Va., a distance of twelve miles, Sunday a new epoch was recorded in the history of the world's transportation. The move marks the completion of the largest improvement of the kind ever undertaken, as well as the most costly per mile of line and the last item is a budget of betterments begun five years ago to build the only two main lines of four tracks each, operated by one system and crossing two mountain ranges.

The new Magnolia cut-off cost the B. & O. railroad \$6,000,000, or \$500,000 a mile, and with other improvements involving the reduction of grades, elimination of curves, removal of tunnels and purchase of new equipment, the total cost has been about \$100,000,000.

The Magnolia cut-off will indirectly have a bearing on the coal traffic situation of Somerset county mines.

INTERESTING PARENT TEACHERS MEETING

The High School auditorium was well filled with parents on Tuesday evening at the monthly meeting of the Parent-Teachers Association. Prof. Reitz, principal of the High School, was the first speaker. He took as his subject "The Boy and Girl After School," considering how best the child's time should be divided. A pupil should have a quiet place in which to study with no annoyances. There should be a time for play and for other work besides preparation of lessons.

A much enjoyed song was given by Miss Rose Damico.

School Director F. A. Bittner presented, with statistics, the financial condition of the school property, showing that gradually the debt is being decreased.

One of their excellent quartets was given by Messrs. Baldwin, Clutton, Cook and Clark, with Mrs. Cook as accompanist. Prof. Kretschman made a few remarks and stated that the banner for the school securing the largest attendance of parents was for the second time to be given to Miss Emma Hosteler's room, there being 36 parents of children from there present. The manner in which such large attendances are secured is quite unique and many amusing little incidents occur as the result. Each teacher of the lower grades writes on the blackboard an invitation to attend a meeting, each child carefully copies it and takes it home to the parent and with great persistence in many instances gets the parents to attend, so that the banner may be in his or her school.

SEVEN-YEAR-OLD'S BIRTHDAY PARTY.

Mrs. Barney Smith gave a birthday party to their little daughter, Pauline, on Saturday. The following friends who helped to make the occasion memorable were:—Emily Miller, Wavedell Wyland, Pearl Cook, Margaret Kretschman, Lenora Housel, Leona Donehue, May Saylor, Sarah Spangler, Cora Spangy, Mary Schrock, Evalyn Banhelmer, Lydia Schrock, Maggie Yaist, and Pauline Saylor. The little hostess was the recipient of many presents. A fine luncheon was served. The day was a happy one for all the little people.

Beautiful stock of chinaware, dinner and toilet sets for Xmas presents, at Habel & Phillips. ad

Denton C. Crowe, whose name means so much to many people of Meyersdale, because of his having lectured here, impersonating Rev. Sam Jones, last season, will appear here next Wednesday night in the Reformed church. One man said, "I heard him last year and I am going to hear him again. He's great!" Everybody bears similar testimony.

Free One Bar Soda Crystal Laundry Soap with each small bag of Gold Medal Flour, at 5c. Habel & Phillips. ad

LOCAL MERCHANTS ARE UP-TO-DATE.

Any one passing along our main business street cannot help but be interested in, and admire the attractive displays in the show windows of most of our stores. One may travel far and wide and not see a more artistic arrangement of goods in a town of equal size. Our storekeepers believe in a very frequent change of window trimming and some have really beautiful displays of Christmas goods, tempting to all who pass by.

In the columns of the Commercial our thousands of readers will find the Christmas offerings of the up-to-date merchants who realize the valuable advertising qualities of this paper. We have about twenty towns besides Meyersdale represented with subscribers in all of them. With the installation of our handsome new machinery, which has been somewhat delayed in delivery, we hope to have Somerset county represented as never before.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE A SUCCESS

(Second Part of Article Concluded.)

Several years ago both houses of the Australian Parliament, without solicitation, passed unanimously a resolution declaring that woman suffrage had been productive of nothing but good, and urging other countries to lay aside their prejudices and enter the front rank of progress by enfranchising the women.

Ex-Chief Justice Fisher of Wyoming says, "I wish I could show the people of the East who are so exercised on the subject of woman suffrage just how it works. Instead of being an encouragement to fraud and corruption, it tends greatly to promote better government." Mr. and Mrs. Theiss, the latter a sister of Miss Bartoll, now teaching in the Somerset High School, were sent out to the Western states sometime ago to study the workings of woman suffrage. They went there slightly anti in their attitude. They returned ardent Suffragists.

As to the statement that women can gain more reforms in their present non-partisan voteless condition, it is not borne out by the facts. All history shows that governments consistently ignore the demands of the voteless. The reform legislation that women have accomplished in non-suffrage states, has cost an enormous and utterly unnecessary expenditure of money, time and strength, and even when put upon the statute books, these laws are too often unenforced and evaded. Massachusetts worked for 55 years through non-partisan influence to get an equal guardianship law. Finally a horrible tragedy brought it about. Colorado got it in less than a year and without a tragedy. Florence Kelley worked for 12 years through non-partisan influence to get a children's Bureau at Washington which would do for human beings what our Bureau of Animal Industry does for domestic animals. Finally the measure was pushed through at the time of the last presidential campaign to catch the votes of our western women, for politicians know that human life and welfare are the things dearest to women, first, last and always. Public spirited Maryland women who wished to exempt young children from labor in the canning of tomatoes appeared again and again before committees at Annapolis with the plea that the conditions had developed a new and serious skin disease among them, but in vain. They called in a physician from Johns Hopkins hospital to testify, but to no purpose, until the physician said, I will speak no longer as a physician, but as a voter, I can command every vote at the hospital and University." That put a very different face on the matter. The Committee got interested and something was accomplished, not by women's non-partisan influence, but by the power of votes. No, the right of women to vote does not rest upon their record as voters, excellent as that record is, but upon these three underlying principles of our democracy:

1. No government without the consent of the governed.
 2. A democracy is a government of the people, by the people and for the people.
 3. Taxation without representation is tyranny.
- Women are governed, but without their consent. We are democracy (Continued to Page 5.)

FAIR HOPE MAN BADLY INJURED

James Bell, a farmer and sawyer, of near Glencoe, met with an accident at George Martz sawmill, near Fair Hope, Tuesday afternoon, terribly injuring his left arm and barely escaping with his life. As it is he is in a very serious condition. It is thought the arm will not have to be amputated. Mr. Bell who has been working at the Martz sawmill the past few weeks, since it started up, in some way got entangled in the machinery and before it could be stopped, had most of the flesh torn from the arm besides its being broken.

He refused to be taken to a hospital and as the wound was not bleeding profusely, was conveyed to his home in a buggy. He has a wife and five children.

ANSWERED THE LAST SUMMONS

H. G. WILL.

After an illness of a week, H. G. Will, one of the best known and highly respected citizens died Friday at his home on Meyers avenue at the age of 49 years. He had been engaged in business here for a long time but retired two years ago. Mr. Will was president of the Economy Telephone company and was a member and an officer of the Knights of Pythias, the Odd Fellows, Knights of Malta, the Modern Woodmen and the Christian church of this place. Surviving are his widow and the following children:—Howard, who is in the navy, and Mary, Leora, Rebecca and Louisa, all at home. The funeral took place at 1:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon, Rev. D. W. Michael of the Lutheran church officiating. Interment was made in the Union cemetery.

SARAH K. BALDWIN.

Sarah Keller Baldwin died Nov. 25, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Watson Brant, of Shanksville. She was 85 years old. Her husband, Herman Baldwin, died many years ago. She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Brant, at whose home she died, and Mrs. Anna Snyder, of Somerset.

MRS. SARA YOUNKIN.

Widow of Levi Younklin, died at her home near Humbert, Friday evening, aged 57 years, dropsy being the cause of death. She is survived by three daughters and five sons. The funeral services were held Sunday at the Jersey Church, in Lower Turkeyfoot township, the services being conducted by Rev. La Page of the Methodist church.

HERMAN SHAFER.

The funeral services of Herman Shaffer, late resident of Brothersvalley township, who departed this life on November 28th, were held at Will's Church on Monday forenoon and were conducted by Rev. G. A. Collin, pastor of Grace United Evangelical church of Somerset. The deceased, who was a member of the latter congregation, was born on January 13, 1836, and died on the above date, aged 78 years, 10 months and 15 days. He leaves a widow and twelve children, eight girls and four boys.

MRS. HARRY CULP.

Mrs. Harry Culp about 70 years old, died Friday morning at her home in Black township, after a brief illness with gastric fever. Mrs. Culp was a daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Lloyd, deceased. She was married first to a Mr. Lewis and later to Mr. Culp, who survives. Several sisters are also living. The funeral was held at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon at Connellsville, where Mrs. Culp has a sister, Mrs. Cypher.

MRS. HARRIET LAHR.

Aged about 75 years, died Tuesday at the home of William Lape near Jerome. She was the widow of Daniel Lahr, who died a number of years ago, and is survived by several brothers and sisters. The funeral will be held this Thursday morning, services being held in the Maple Spring Church of the Brethren and interment in the Maple Spring cemetery.

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