

**THE CALL OF THE SOUTH
NICELY PUT BY DR. MCKINLEY
PARADIS, LA., MARCH 13, 1915.**

The Commercial:— I promised to write you when we got to Paradis; we came out from New Orleans the last of February, but until now have had no opportunity to write. The first day we got into our bungalow I was called to our son, who was seriously ill, nine miles out on the wet prairie, with no means of communication except by a motor boat, though a crooked canal. The fastest of these boats is slow. I got to his bedside on Monday night, the 1st. of the present month; he was too sick to be moved and I had to wait two days before I could bring him here and then at great risk. We now have him on his feet again and I have time for other things than nursing.

This part of the state is a land of water, if I may be allowed the expression, but much of it has been drained since we were here three years ago. Many improvements have been made on the land that was dry at that time; indeed, I am surprised at the progress made both on the prairie and in the pleasant little town. The town has more than doubled itself, and the newcomers seem to be all very fine people. There are two large schools here now compared with the small one of three years ago, occupying a fine two-story, six-room building; a church has been built; Sunday school every Sunday and preaching every two weeks, with at least five times the attendance of three years ago. Every two weeks excursion rates are given to home seekers from the North.

A Mr. Mowbray, of near Waterloo, Ia., has principal charge of the St. Charles Land Company tract of several thousand acres and for whom my son is working. Men from Iowa were down looking at the proposition here, and some from Vinton, Iowa, have begun to improve their purchases.

I am still convinced that there are good financial opportunities here for any man who is not afraid to work and who is willing to put up with some inconveniences for a short time.

We have made no garden for reasons given above, but such vegetables as lettuce, cabbage, beets, carrots, turnips, onions and the like are brought to our door; beans are not yet on the market. Some corn has been planted.

Orange, lemon, peach and cherry trees have been in full bloom for some time, also raspberries. We have been fishing but once and then as three years ago, Mrs. McKinley caught two to my use; I don't like to acknowledge this but the fact would have become known soon after our return and the true report might as well precede me.

The weather has been fine for the last week. Children are running barefoot; young chicks in almost every yard or lawn; this beats wintry March in Somerset County. I wish that many of my friends could spend the winter here.

I see by the papers that Senator Clapp urges that the Progressive party maintains its organization and I am glad of it. I wish that a good Progressive would be nominated for every political office in every county of the state and particularly so in Somerset county. The idea of withdrawing a good candidate in favor of a party candidate, never was right and never will be. If the Progressive party principles are right and they are, the candidate should be supported. Advocate the Progressive cause with force. The reckless, unjust and unlawful methods of the old parties are manifest every day. I am a Progressive and am not ashamed to be registered as such even under the "gang" law that requires it.

My! but, this is a fine day!
Best Wishes to all Friends,
H. C. MCKINLEY.

WHY BOY SCOUT MOVEMENT IS HALTED.

Plans had lately been made here to start the Boy Scouts and over sixty boys of the town had signed their names as being anxious to join, but the lack of interest taken by the parents has halted progress along this line.

An illustrated lecture on the subject was recently given in the Methodist church by Rev. J. C. Matteson and the boys were well represented but not parents, and the co-operation of the latter must be secured before an organization is effected. The purpose of the illustrated lecture was to show the work to parents and the lack of response from them was very disappointing.

MEETING HARDSHIPS.

There is no hardship ahead of us in life that may not be made easier by our doing the hard thing of today with unflinching faithfulness. And every hardship that lies ahead will be the harder to meet by any failure of ours in today's test.

**Condensed Statement
CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK**

OF MEYERSDALE, PA.

At Close of Business December 31st, 1914.

RESOURCES	
Loans and Investments	\$715,878.01
U. S. Bonds	77,000.00
Banking House	29,300.00
Due from Banks and Reserve Agents	116,240.56
Cash	53,671.15
Total	\$992,681.73
LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock	\$ 65,000.00
Surplus	100,000.00
Undivided Profits	23,934.52
Circulation	63,100.00
Deposites	740,055.21
Total	\$992,089.73

**NO. 5333
REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF
THE CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK**

Of Meyersdale, Penn'a.

At the close of business, March 4th, 1915.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$556,678.95
Overdrafts secured, & unsecured	247.14
U. S. Bonds deposited to secure circulation (par value)	\$65,000.00
Other securities deposited to secure circulation (book value)	8,000.00
U. S. Bonds to secure U. S. Deposits (par value)	4,000.00
U. S. Bonds secure postal savings (par value)	3,000.00
Other bonds to secure U. S. deposits	3,000.00
Other bonds to secure postal savings	2,000.00
Premium on bonds for circulation	86,885.00
Premium on other U. S. bonds	86,885.00
Bonds, securities, etc. pledged as collateral for state or other deposits. U. S. postal savings excluded	3,800.00
Other bonds securities, etc. owned unpledged (other than stocks) including premiums on same	7,125.00
Subscription to stock of Federal Reserve bank	10,425.00
Less amount unpaid	3,800.00
All other stocks, including premium on same	19,500.00
Banking house, \$35,000.00; furniture and fixtures, \$3,300.00	38,300.00
Other real estate owned	6,500.00
Due from Federal Reserve bank	9,950.87
Due from approved reserve agents in central reserve cities	2,648.81
Due from approved reserve agents in other reserve cities	66,374.97
Due from banks and bankers (other than above)	63,728.16
Outside checks and other cash items (other than above)	23,075.90
Checks on banks in the same city or town as reporting bank	279.43
Exchange for clearing house	696.75
Notes of other national banks	11,500.00
Federal Reserve notes	1,000.00
Legal-tender notes	33,048.75
State	48,198.75
Amount paid on account of subscription to \$100,000,000 gold fund (as authorized)	15,120.00
Less amount if any, returned to subscriber	—
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer not more than 5 percent of circulation	32,150.00
Due from U. S. Treasurer	—
Total	\$965,553.36
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$ 65,000.00
Surplus fund	100,000.00
Undivided profits	36,515.55
Reserve for taxes	—
Reserve for	31,515.55
Less current expenses, interest and taxes paid	5,396.84
Circulating notes	26,116.91
Less amount on hand and in Treasurer for redemption or in transit	1,100.00
Due to Federal Reserve bank	63,900.00
Due to approved reserve agents in central reserve cities	3,322.75
Due to banks and bankers (other than above)	225.00
Dividends unpaid	—
Demand deposits:	181,972.27
Individual deposits subject to check	61,302.06
Certificates of deposits due in less than 30 days	1,002.54
C-riffed checks	859.11
Cashier's checks outstanding	9,003.07
United States deposits	2,305.62
Postal savings deposits	—
State and municipal deposits	258,425.24
Deposits with notice of less than 30 days	162,904.91
Certificates of deposit due on or after 30 days	286,758.55
Deposites subject to 30 or more days notice	449,863.46
Total	\$965,553.36

STATE of Pennsylvania, county of Somerset, ss: I, R. H. Philson, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
CORRECT—Attest
R. H. PHILSON, Cashier.
S. B. PHILSON, Director.
F. B. BLACK, Director.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16th day of March, 1915.
ROBERT COOK, Notary Public.

IN OTHER COUNTIES.

Johnstown barbers who recently raised the price of a shave to 15 cents now announce that they will add a hot towel.

It is announced that all the clubs in Lycoming county, as well as the hotels, closed their bars last Sunday in obedience to orders from Judge Whitehead, who has announced that a club which sells liquor on Sunday hereafter will have its charter revoked.

The members of the Clearfield county bar and the wives of those who are married are going to give an elaborate dinner at the Hotel Dimeling, Clearfield, on April 5th, in honor of Thomas H. Murray, esq., who will be 70 years old on that date.

Feeding the inmates of Johnstown's city prison during the month of February cost a little over three cents per meal.

An \$80,000 fire in Connellsville on night of Mar. 17 burned a three-story structure occupied by the Olympic Theatre, Max Levine's clothing store and three families who rented apartments on the second and third stories. The fire started in the Levine store from an unknown cause. The new McCrory store, adjoining the business block destroyed, was saved with difficulty. There were but few people in the Olympic Theatre at the time the alarm of fire was raised.

President Judge Robert E. Umbel of the Fayette county courts last week issued a statement that he will resign his office prior to 1917 to prevent further impeachment proceedings by Attorney H. S. Dumbauld. The announcement created a sensation in Fayette county and at Harrisburg.

Miss Clara Barndollar, daughter of Martin D. Barndollar, of Everett, was a guest of her parents from Friday until Wednesday for a farewell visit

prior to leaving for Russia as a Red Cross nurse, Miss Barndollar is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania Hospital and is the only representative of that training school leaving at this time for service in the war zone. During her visit Mr. Barndollar celebrated the 71st anniversary of his birth. He is a veteran of the Civil War, having served in the 33rd and 194th regiments.

The Rev. A. L. Claar, a leading citizen and a local minister in the Brethren church of southern Bedford co., is lying critically ill at his home at Queen of poisoning, the result of eating an ice cream cone. Little hope is entertained for his recovery. He is the father of Editor Amos Claar, of the Windber Era.

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SCHEDULE OF BOOSTER DAYS For PIANO CONTESTANTS

Are you taking advantage of the Special Wednesday sales?
Are you, yourself buying the Special Sales Goods?
Are you inducing your friends and Club Members to attend?

If you have to answer NO to any of these questions then you are not doing ALL that you might to win the Piano. We cannot win this contest for you all that we can do is to give you the Opportunity, and offer to you any help that we can.

Do you want to be classed as a WINNER in the Contest, or as a QUITTER?

Get rid of that feeling of Don't care if I win or not feeling, determine to win, and we venture the assertion that the Piano will be in YOUR home next Decoration Day.

Wednesday Special Sales for MARCH

- WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10 — JEWELRY.
- WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17 — MUSLIN UNDERWEAR
- WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24 — GINGHAMS
- WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31 — CURTAINS

If you are a contestant or Club Member and feel that you cannot use any of this merchandise yourself, get out among your neighbors, take orders, come in and get the goods yourself and deliver it to them, and you will get the special service Checks. Start next Wednesday.

Hartley, Clutton Co.,

The Club Store

Hartley Block,

Meyersdale, PA.

Women of New Jersey and Pennsylvania

Imagination balks at the magnitude of \$2,000,000. Only when it is translated into terms of purchasing power does it become comprehensible.

Two million dollars, for example, will support more than 2000 families of moderate income for a year.

Two million dollars will buy more than 200,000 barrels of flour, more than 50,000 sewing machines or 80,000 suits. It will give work for an entire year to 2000 men and women engaged in various productive industries and other occupations that add to the common welfare of the people in all walks of life.

It is \$2,000,000 a year that the Full Crew—"excess man crew"—Laws compel the railroads of your States to pay in unearned wages. Laws deprive you of improvements for safety and comfort in travel that this money, now used unproductively, would provide.

How much longer in these times when economy is a universal necessity are you willing to endure this tremendous waste? In the end the cost bears upon you, either in increased rates or decreased service.

Will you use your influence in urging that the people's elected Representatives at Trenton and Harrisburg work and vote for repeal of the Full Crew Laws and place control of the proper manning of trains in the hands of the Public Service Commissioners?

SAMUEL REA, President, Pennsylvania Railroad.
DANIEL WILLARD, President, Baltimore and Ohio Railroad.
THEODORE VOORHEES, President, Philadelphia and Reading Railway.
R. L. O'DONNELL, Chairman, Executive Committee, Associated Railroads of Pennsylvania and New Jersey, 721 Commercial Trust Building, Philadelphia.

From Belgian Trenches?
A carrier pigeon dropped from the roof of a building in Wilkesbarre, Pa., and Fred Jacobs, who found it, discovered a message tied about the bird's neck, which purported to have been written by a German soldier in the Belgian trenches. It read: "Dear Wife—I am alive and well in the trenches of Belgium, but your brother has been killed."

A Comparison.
"Why is a clock like a pretty and vain young lady?"
"I fail to see any resemblance. Why?"
"Because it is all face and figure, has no head to speak of, is hard to stop when once it is wound up and has a striking way of calling attention to itself every hour of the day."—London Tit-Bits.

Getting Things Shipshape.
"Dearest," said the sentimental bridegroom after the wedding ceremony. "do you think that I'll prove to be a satisfactory mate?"
"Oh, I guess you'll do all right," responded the practical bride, "and now look me over and tell me what you think of your captain."—Ladies' Home Journal.