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OPENING OF OUR SCHOOLS

With Happy Faces and Glad Hearts 800 Children Return to School Here. A Number of New Teachers.

The Meyersdale public schools opened very auspiciously with Prof. W. H. Kretzman as supervising principal on Monday last with an enrollment of 858, just 30 more than entered the first day of last year. The high school has a nice proportion of all of the pupils of the town, namely 116. Twenty-four teachers including Prof. Kretzman constitute the teaching corps of the town. The highest number of pupils for any one teacher is 50 and the lowest is 39.

The introduction of vocational training for the young ladies of the high school created quite a stir. This course treats of the common and essential things that should characterize a well kept and up-to-date home from a scientific and artistic viewpoint. It is practical, interesting and disciplinary. The new teacher for this work which is paid for in part by the state is Miss Estelle Broadhead who taught very successfully in Pittsburgh last year.

Prof Weaver who had charge of mathematics last year, has succeeded to the principalship of the high school. Prof. Arnold of Bedford is a newcomer to the local high school teaching force. He is a graduate of Pennsylvania College at Gettysburg. Other new teachers in the schools below the high school are Prof. Welch, of Friedens; Miss Kutz, of Ursina; Miss Groff of town.

The Meyersdale Board of School Directors is composed of men who show themselves deeply interested in the welfare of the schools; they are the following gentlemen: Clarence Moore, J. M. Gnagey, F. A. Bittner, E. M. Beachly and Daniel A. Floto.

SHOOTING AT COAL RUN

On Monday afternoon, J. C. McCarty, a merchant and J. J. Dougherty, a miner, both of Coal Run became engaged in an altercation there. McCarty claims that Dougherty under the influence of intoxicants came to his store and struck an invalid child of McCarty. This act the father of the child resented. The door was closed against Dougherty whereupon he secured an ax and began to batter in the door, breaking in some of the panels. McCarty tried to get him to desist and threatened to shoot if he did not stop. A few shots were then discharged to frighten away Dougherty but to no avail. Then McCarty sent a load into Dougherty's leg. It is not thought the wound is dangerous.

CLERKS DEFEAT MERCHANTS

It is what might be called magnificent generosity on the part of the local merchants to grant the clerks a half holiday on Labor Day and then to receive ignominious defeat at the hands of their faithful employes, with a score of 27 to 13. These numbers only go to show that Meyersdale does not believe in little things.

Those who constituted the lineup for the clerks were—Walter Gress, Homer Collins, Geo Demmie, Gale Horner, Wilhelm, Robt. Hoffmeyer, Sipple. On the merchant's side—Wm. Willand, Kennedy Price, Fred Rowe, Phillip Reich, Paul Clutton, Geo. Blake R. F. Mason, Tom. Weller, J. F. Reich was umpire.

Messrs. Charles Plitt, Harry Snyder, William Bauman and Eugene Rosenberger left Sunday for Great Cacapon, where they expect to remain for a week camping.

BUY YOUR FRUIT JARS AND RINGS at BITTNER'S GROCERY.

Some Good Bargains in MOTOR CYCLES this week at Gurley's Sporting Goods Store.

MANY DEATHS IN SOMERSET COUNTY.

NOAH CATON.

Noah Caton died Sept. 5th at the Somerset County Home.

Mr. Caton was a familiar figure on our streets for many years. He has lived in Meyersdale and in the surrounding community for at last forty years. He was born in Turkeyfoot township and was the son of Thomas Caton long since deceased. When a young man he came to this part of the county and married Rose Ann Baldwin. There were born to them three children, one son and two daughters. Soon after his marriage he moved to Iowa where his wife died and was buried. The son and one daughter have died also. The other daughter is Susannah, wife of W. G. Emery of Berlin.

Mr. Caton returned from the West and married the second time to Mary Bittner of Greenville township. For 25 years he lived on Keystone street. Three sons and three daughters were born to him by his second wife, all of whom save the youngest, Noah of this place are dead. His second wife died June 25, 1908. Since then he lived alone in his house taking care of himself as best he could. Having become quite feeble he committed his affairs to the hands of J. N. Lint, his friend and neighbor and went to the County Home. On Sunday evening, September 5, he passed away at the age of 89 years, 6 months and 19 days. His remains were brought back to Meyersdale and was buried from his home, services being conducted by Rev. A. E. Truxal, D. D. interment in the Union cemetery.

In 1861 Mr. Caton enlisted in Co. H 85th Regt of Pa. Vols. under Capt. Tredwell and Colonel Howell. In the spring and summer of 1862 his regiment participated in a number of battles. At Newport he was wounded in his right side by a shell which caused him to be confined to the hospital. He was honorably discharged on a surgeon's certificate on September 29, 1862. By the pension which he received he was enabled to maintain himself in his old days. Forty years ago he became a member of Amity Reformed church. The last seven or eight years it was impracticable for him to attend his church duties. Mr. Caton had one brother and four sisters—Mrs. Hyder, Mrs. Weimer Mrs. Parker and Mrs. Faidley, all of whom preceded him to the world beyond.

ALEXANDER MARKLE

Alexander Markle, aged 65, treasurer of Somerset county, died at his home in Somerset, Sunday evening, the result of an attack of heart failure. He accompanied a party of automobilists to Meyersdale Sunday and was making arrangements to attend church in the evening when he collapsed, death resulting a short time later. For many years Mr. Markle was a resident of Meyersdale and he located in Somerset about 20 years ago. In 1911 he was elected treasurer of the county. Surviving are his widow and the following children: Mrs. Frederick Eicher and Martin L. Markle, of Akron, Ohio and Clayton E. and Ada L. Markle of Somerset. Mr. Markle was a blacksmith for many years and was one of the best known residents of Somerset County. The funeral took place Wednesday with interment in the Union cemetery, Somerset. The services were conducted by the Rev. I. Hess Wagner, pastor of the Somerset Lutheran church. Treasurer Markle was born in Larimer township, he spent his early life in and about Meyersdale and afterwards conducted a blacksmith shop at Gebharts. About twenty years ago he became a resident of Somerset. Mr. Markle was widely known throughout the county and few if any of our citizens had a wider circle of friends. He was a man of the strictest integrity and those who learned to know him were his friends ever afterwards. He was a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and for many years had taken an active part in the order. Four years ago he was chosen County Treasurer by a flattering plurality at the Republican primaries, and was elected by a large majority at the ensuing November election.

A petition was forwarded to Governor Brumbaugh asking that Clayton Markle be appointed to fill out the un-

MINERS IN FIRST AID MEET AT BOSWELL

Largest Ever Held in Somerset County. Team of Mins Where 19 Men Were Killed Last Week Carry Off First Honors.

LIST OF THOSE WHO HAVE WON THE GRAND PRIZES.

Boswell, the center of a population of 10,000 mining men was the scene of the Third Annual Contest of the First Aid meet, held under the auspices of the State Y. M. C. A., of Harrisburg, last Saturday and a crowd of about 2,000 were present.

No. 3 team of Orenda No. 2 Mine, the mine in which a gas explosion occurred last Thursday morning, resulting in the death of 19 men carried off first honors. Twenty-three teams were entered.

Five teams made a perfect score in the full-team contest on the first trial. Three teams were tied on the second trial. In the third exhibition, No. 3 team from Orenda No. 2 Mine won first place, Brothersvalley Coal Co. team No. 1 came second and the Consolidation Coal Co's Acosta team came third. The one man event was captured by the Acosta team with a perfect score.

The two-man event was won by No. 2 team from Jerome with a perfect score.

The winning team from Orenda No.

2 Mine was composed of Frank Swope Captain; Herbert Horner Aaron See-sock, Charles Buford, George Patton and Fred Moore, patient.

The Acosta team which captured the one-man event, is composed of Samuel Shaffer, Captain; Robert Grove, Russell Zimmerman, William Crosby, Thomas Downey; John W. Byron, patient.

The Jerome team winners of the two-man event, is composed of William H. Jones, Captain; C. H. Lehr, B. Blubaugh, Thomas Dougherty; William Price; John Donahue, patient.

The Brothersvalley team, which came second in the main event, consists of Robert Forsythe, Captain; Robert Purcell, Sam Verchetti, William Albright, Harry DeHaven; Michael Dugan, patient.

The local committee in charge of the work was composed of the following: F. W. Cunningham, State Mine Inspector, Somerset; Samuel Steinbach, Somerset; Richard Maize, Jerome; Jno. Gibson, Jr., Boswell; Ralph Zimmerman, Ralphton.

BELIEVES COAL BUSINESS WILL BOOM.

The Johnstown Democrat says: A boom in the coal business of Blair, Cambria, Indiana, Somerset, Jefferson and other counties is predicted by Richard Gilbert, secretary-treasurer, of district No. 2, United Mine Workers of America, who addressed the big Labor Day demonstration at South Fork, Monday. Mr. Gilbert is probably one of the best informed coal men in central Pennsylvania and his prediction carries weight with miners and others of the district.

Mr. Gilbert says that business has picked up to such an extent that the boom may be said to be already here. For the past summer, he says, the miners were employed on part time only. Some weeks they had work only a few days.

Mr. Gilbert states that there is certain to be a shortage of labor in the mines, as hundreds of miners have left for Europe to take part in the war. In addition the operators in some instances have already booked large orders from tide water, while additional orders are expected. Coal from central Pennsylvania will be shipped to Europe, Africa, South America and other countries, which were formerly supplied with coal from the European mines.

GOVERNOR AT EXPOSITION

Festivities in honor of Governor Martin G. Brumbaugh of Pennsylvania and his escort, now visiting the Panama-Pacific exposition at San Francisco on August 31 st, culminated Saturday in celebration of Pennsylvania day at the Panama exposition. A special effort was made to entertain the visitors because of gratitude felt by the exposition authorities for the loan of the Liberty Bell, which is housed in the Pennsylvania state pavilion. A luncheon given by the directors of the exposition to the governor and his staff and the Pennsylvania commission and a dinner with former President Wm. Howard Taft as guest of honor were one day's program.

Friday was Pennsylvania Day at the Exposition and more than 1,000 Pennsylvanians participated in the exercises. Preceding the exercises at the Pennsylvania building where the Liberty Bell is on exhibition, a military parade consisting of the Second Regiment of the Pennsylvania National Guard, a battalion of United States marines and detachments of coast artillery and cavalrymen were reviewed by Governor Brumbaugh who later also planted a tree from Valley Forge.

MOVIES OF MEYERSDALE

Those who had the pleasure of seeing our sister town, Berlin, on the moving picture screen at the Reich Summer Garden Wednesday evening will be pleased to learn that the same treat is in store for them with Meyersdale views, and also the Meyersdale fair on the moving picture canvas.

C. B. Pasco, who is with the T. P. Film Co., of Elkins, W. Va., was in town this week making preparations for the accomplishment of the enterprise. To provide a forty minute moving picture view will cost about \$300. All the various phases of our town, its public institutions, the business houses with employers and employed will be enacted before our eyes. We'll see ourselves as others see us. We'll know each other better. Get ready and be sure you are in some of the pictures. All these things and more will be exhibited at the Summer Garden in this place, about one week after the fair for three nights.

REV. A. G. MEAD TRANSFERRED TO VENANGO CO.

Rev. A. G. Mead has returned from attending the annual conference of the Evangelical church at Johnstown and apprised his parishoners that he was transferred by the Bishop to Emlenton, Venango County. This was sad news to the people of his congregation, for Rev. Mead has accomplished good work during his two years pastorate here. He will be unable to leave for about three weeks. His successor is Rev. C. Miller, a young unmarried man just out of Schuylkill Seminary of Reading, Pa.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Routine of Business of Interest to Many. B. & O. to be Notified to Place Crossing From New-comer's Connecting [Main St.

The Council of the Borough of Meyersdale met in regular session Tuesday evening, September 7th; members present being Messrs. Dia, Saylor, Emeigh, Staub, Darnly and Bauman; absent, Bittner.

Mrs. McCune was present and asked Council to permit her to build an outside stairway along her building in the alley. No action taken.

Park Weimer asked Council for a permit to connect a sewer line in the Bowser sewer on Meyers ave. Permission granted.

James Gimble appeared before Council in reference to an accident which he had; he fell and broke his nose; he wished to know if the Borough pays for the injury. The matter was referred to the street committee.

Herb Hibner was present and asked Council to have pavements put down in front of the Cover properties on Sixth ave. J. N. Cover to be notified.

E. C. Plitt was present in reference to a ditch which overflows and runs over the lots fronting on Second ave. He wanted the trouble corrected. Council decided to look at the place.

Mr. C. Sides appeared before Council in reference to taxes on properties which were purchased by the Western Maryland Railway Co. in 1911; The taxes were not paid and Mr. Sides asked to be exonerated of these taxes. Referred to the solicitor.

Mr. Hare asked Council to put down sidewalk on Second street.

M. Cabaditch to be notified to lay sidewalk in front of his property on High street, with 10 days notice.

Messrs. Fike and Wilmoth were present in reference to the light contract which was read. On motion of Darnly, seconded by Emeigh, to accept the condition of the contract as read, with the following changes: In sixth sec. insert, "It is further agreed that the party of the first part shall furnish lights satisfactory to the Council." The latter part of the 5th section to be eliminated about light being dim or out. Motion carried.

Mr. Baer was present in reference to the following exonerations: Sam Hostetler, James Smith, Wm. Smith and John McAfee, amounting to \$5.60; Printing statement, \$3.50; Commission, \$5.80.

Mr. Zeigler was present and presented his bill for work at bridge amounting to \$1,157.05; on motion of Bauman seconded by Darnly to receive this bill and pay as read with deduction as noted. Motion carried.

Mr. Darnly reported 1100 feet of road built on First and North streets, costing \$139.30.

Mr. Darnly reported 10 families on High street out of water about one-half the time.

Orders were given to notify the B. & O. R. R. Co. about putting in crossing from Newcomer's, connecting to Main street.

Finance Committee reports:

Active Account	\$ 102.95
Sinking Fund	1048.14
The bills for the month were as follows:	
Wm. Carter	\$ 41.34
Conrad Saylor	40.89
J. O. Weller	52.23
Geo. Ickes	37.59
Fred Hare	65.00
Urban Fuller	65.00
Chas. Hentz	4.20
Chas. Dia	1.75
J. J. Hammer	16.69
Carl Eisler	7.50
Robert Darnly	18.70
Daniel Brown	13.39
Jno. I. Smith	20.45
Charles Werner	4.45
Sielh Hardware Co., nails and mops \$1.75; Meyersdale Auto Co., 3 autos to Somerset, \$15; Municipal Law Reporter, \$5.00; R. H. Philson, state tax, \$10; H. E. Bauman, timber, \$18.00; Mr. Just, witness, \$2.00; Frank Zeigler, on acct., \$500; Electric Light Co., \$500;	
Several Communications were read in reference to excessive charges on two cars of cinder from Johnstown. R. R. agree to establish a lower rate.	

All kinds of job work here.

PARADES, FIREWORKS, FUN, PRIZES, SOUVENIRS, 15 BANDS
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SECOND ANNUAL TRADE EXPO AT JOHNSTOWN, SEPT. 22, 23 and 24
Drill and Parade of Police and Firemen, Wednesday. Big Industrial and Automobile Pageant, Thursday 10:30 A. M. 15-Bands in Musical Contest, Thursday at 4 P. M.—15.
Monster Fantastic Parade, Thursday Evening at 8 P. M. Spectacular Exhibition of Fireworks on Friday. Orchestras, Demonstrations, Etc. in All City Stores.