

THE NEWSPAPER AND THE COMMUNITY.

Every loyal citizen of a community should take his home paper.

The local newspaper is one of the greatest assets of any section of country and should be supported and encouraged as such, not with a feeling of charity toward the editor, as is too often the case, but in the uplift of the community and the consequent enhancing of the value of your own holdings.

Without your home paper your town would lose much of its attractiveness as a place of abode; would become a barred spot in the field of knowledge.

The community would be grouping around in the intellectual darkness of uncertainty and speculation, while other cities and towns would be climbing upward to better things.

The dissemination of news would return to the ancient method of mouth to mouth with its consequent delays, and distortions, and omissions.

The business interests would suffer from lack of a medium of communication between buyer and seller, commercial rivalry would be on the wane, and the American spirit of "I will" would sink into disuse and eventual obliteration.

How many years have you been reading this paper, anyway?

And don't you feel deep down in your heart that it has been worth more to you than it has cost you?

How would you like to be deprived of the opportunity of ever seeing another home paper?

In other words, just how would you like to live in this community if there were no papers published here, no medium from which you could ascertain the doings of the people of the community, no medium of exchange in the matter of barter and sale, no medium through which you could make your wants known to the people except by climbing into a buggy or automobile and spending days in going about from one place to another?

Just how would you like that?

Well, don't worry you are in no danger of losing your home paper.

This article was written for the purpose of causing you to do a little thinking along the right line. We want you, all of you, to realize that this paper is not being published just for fun. It is a public institution, it is an important part of the community itself. It is about the only industry that the community could not get along well without, its newspapers. When people cease to read home papers they begin to stagnate. We are for the interests of the county, of the community and of this town.

When you pay for your paper you are supporting a business enterprise that certainly while it does help the editor it is at the same time assisting the community in general. Be loyal to home for together we survive and divided we will not get along so well. Read the Commercial and pay for it too.

BERLIN

Mr. and Mrs. Clark White and children of Tyrone are visiting for several days at the home of Mrs. White's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Buckman.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Johnson returned home recently from Carrolltown where they had been visiting for several days and attending the fair.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Diveley of Pittsburgh are the guests of Mr. Diveley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Diveley.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Heffley and three children of Johnstown have returned home after spending three weeks with Mrs. Heffley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Tipton.

Mrs. George Walbert returned to her home at Waynesburg after visiting for the past two months with her mother, Mrs. Mamie Zorn.

J. O. Stoner, Frank Groff and Katie Ware last week left for a visit to New York and Baltimore.

THE NORTH AMERICAN PICTURE SUPPLEMENTS.

The North American is going to make a new departure in picture supplements by issuing with its edition of Sept. 19 a wonderfully artistic photograph print entitled "Family Cares." This picture will appeal to every lover of children and every one who is interested in child life.

It represents a little girl clad in her nightie going down stairs with a sick pet. The expression on the child's face shows the real trouble with which her soul is burdened. It is the work of a master artist and will find instant favor with North American readers.

The North American's picture policy which will be followed for several weeks to come is based upon the idea that a picture worth preservation should be issued in such form as will allow it to be preserved. The print of "Family Cares" is on handsome heavy paper. It is done in the best style of the photographure and is ready for framing. It is worthy of place on the wall of any home.

We are always ready to do job work

CITIZEN TAKES EXCEPTION TO TOWN'S MANAGEMENT.

(Communicated Article.)

As a citizen of Meyersdale I naturally feel interested in the welfare of our town, and therefore I wish to call the attention of our tax-payers to conditions in our borough that need correction, but before doing so I wish to say that Meyersdale has many things to be thankful for.

We have a very good class of people in our town; we have good schools, good churches, good stores, good business men, good air to breathe, good water to drink, good Railroad service, good light service, good newspapers, good surrounding country etc. For all this we may well be grateful.

But if Meyersdale is to be a desirable place in which to live, there are a few things in our town which need correction.

One is our automobile regulation—many of our automobile drivers ignore the speed limit in town and possibly what is still worse or at least as bad is the noise made by our automobile drivers; so much so as to very much interfere with the comfort of the people in their homes.

This ought not so to be, as there is no occasion for such disregard of the welfare of our people. No other town of any size anywhere, tolerates such a nuisance; you can go to Berlin, Somerset or even to New York City for that matter, where there are hundreds of autos to our one on the streets and you will not hear a noise equal to a coal train passing by such as we hear in Meyersdale. This is a matter for our town council to attend to and why they do not is hard to understand.

The other subject which should receive attention is our borough finances. This affects the pocket book and is a serious matter in hard times such as we are passing through at the present. We pay an enormously big tax, yet very few improvements are made and at the same time our borough indebtedness is growing all the time; this surely is a bad thing. It is bad for an individual to be going in debt all the time and having nothing to show for it and I believe that it is worse for a town to do so. So far as I can learn the present council will not be able to pay its debts contracted for this year by five or six thousand dollars. To me this looks like a terrible state of affairs.

I also hear that the sinking fund is little or nothing and a lot of other matters to settle that will cost money etc. So long as this condition exists our town is prevented from being an ideal place to live and own property and of course this much operates against the growth and prosperity of the place. I am very sorry for this state of things.

The question might arise as to the cause of this horrible state of our finances. To this may be answered there are a number of causes which may be true but there is one beyond a doubt that stands out very prominently and that is our voters have not been as careful in selecting men to run their financial affairs as they might have been. With all due respect to our present council, it nevertheless is true that several of our councilmen do not own any taxable property themselves; in other words our present councilmen have very little money to lose even if taxes have to be raised.

If taxes are to be raised to pay off this deficit they don't suffer, whereas the taxpayers do. Again they have never had any experience in financing large concerns and of course they could not possibly have the necessary capacity to properly perform the functions of a councilman. The councilmen may not be altogether to blame in this matter as the people have the power to elect whom they please, but they don't pay taxes. Facts are stubborn things; the conditions are bad and ought to be corrected and if the people will be careful in selecting men of experience and capability to run the finances of the town this state of affairs will be corrected and our taxes will become less and our town will make progress and blossom as a rose in June.

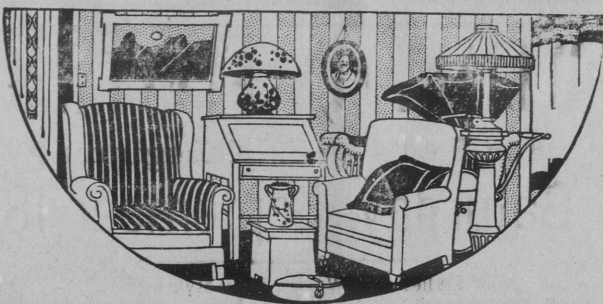
Interest in the welfare of our town is in the heart of every good citizen of Meyersdale and that prompts me to call attention to these things.

A CITIZEN

Fresh Poultry

The time-honored custom of killing, dressing and cooking chickens in the shortest time possible before serving is being condemned by scientists who have made exhaustive experiments to determine when poultry meat is most tender. They state that poultry should not be eaten the day it is killed, but should be allowed to thoroughly cool for at least twelve hours, during which time the muscles relax and become tender, after which the bird is in condition for cooking.

Success has followed forest planting on the sandhills of Nebraska. Jack pines planted there by the government forest service ten years ago now have a height of over 15 feet and a diameter of 4 inches.



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Outdoor Things For Outdoor Folks.

MILLER & COLLINS

Mr. and Mrs. J. Edward Gump of Somerset have gone to the Panama-Pacific exposition. Mr. Gump, who is a representative of the New York Life Insurance Company in Western Pennsylvania, was recently notified that he was among three representatives in the State who won a trip to

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

NO. 5301 REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE SECOND NATIONAL BANK of Meyersdale, Pa.

At the Close of Business, September 2nd 1915.

RESOURCES

1. a Loans and discounts (notes held in bank) ————	330,351.98	330,351.98
2. Overdrafts unsecured ————	\$86.22	86.22
3. a U. S. bonds deposited to secure circulation (par value) ————	65,000.00	
b U. S. bonds pledged to secure U. S. deposits, par value ————	7,000.00	
f Premium on U. S. bonds ————	231.87	
Total U. S. Bonds ————		72,231.87
4. b Bonds other than U. S. bonds pledged to secure U. S. deposits	4,000.00	
c Bonds other than U. S. bonds pledged to secure postal savings deposits ————	7,308.70	
f Securities other than U. S. bonds (not including stocks) owned unpledged ————	68,097.30	
Total bonds, securities etc. ————		79,406.00
5. Subscription to stock of Federal Reserve Bank ————	\$6,600.00	
a Less amount unpaid ————	3,300.00	
b All other stocks including premium on same ————		3,300.00
6. Banking house, ————	55,413.45	
7. Furniture and fixtures ————		55,413.45
8. Real estate owned other than banking house ————		7,161.05
9. Net amount due from Federal Reserve Bank ————		3,974.53
10. a Net amount due from approved reserve agents in New York, Chicago and St. Louis ————	839.85	
b Net am't due from App'd reserve agents in other res' cities ————	60,184.66	61,024.51
13. a Outside checks and other cash items ————	366.51	6,499.60
b Fractional currency nickels, cts. Lawful money reserve in bank: ————	307.85	674.36
16. Total coin certificates ————		12,206.50
17. Legal tender notes ————		3,000.00
18. Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer, not more than 5 per cent on circulation ————	3,250.00	3,250.00
Due from U. S. Treasurer ————		
Total ————		\$638,580.12

LIABILITIES

1. Capital Stock paid in ————	\$65,000.00	
2. Surplus fund ————	45,000.00	
TOTAL CAPITAL AND SURPLUS ————		110,000.00
2. Undivided profits ————	\$5,246.22	
Reserve for ————	5,246.22	
Less current expenses, interest and taxes paid ————	1,777.39	3,468.83
3. Circulating notes ————	65,000.00	
Less amount on hand and in Treasury for redemption or in transit ————	1,100.00	63,900.00
7. Dividends unpaid ————		30.00
8. Demand deposits ————		
a Individual deposits subject to check ————	146,737.84	
b Certificates of deposits due in less than 30 days ————	3,967.37	
c Certified checks ————	876.08	
e United States deposits ————	4,947.50	
f Postal Savings deposits ————	3,173.99	
Total Deposits ————		159,702.78
9. Time deposits payable after 30 days or subject 30 days' notice	61,532.97	
a Certificates of deposit ————	239,945.54	301,478.51
c Other time deposits ————		
Total ————		\$638,580.12

State of Pennsylvania, County of Somerset SS:

I J. H. Bowman, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

J. H. BOWMAN, Cashier.

Correct—Attest

E. C. KYLE

J. N. COVER

N. E. MILLER, Directors.

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