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COMMERCIAL MAKES BIG OFFER TO READERS

\$850 00 in Prizes to be Given Absolutely
Free to Anyone with Ambition.

The Commercial believes in doing things and doing them right and so is going to have the biggest subscription campaign ever inaugurated in this section. We are going to give away over \$800 in prizes to all those who may care to put in a few spare minutes work each day for the next five weeks taking subscriptions for this paper.

The first prize offered is a \$700 Overland automobile bought of R. Reich & Son, of the Overland garage where the machine is on display. This is an exceptional prize to offer free but we believe the results will justify us in doing this.

The second prize offered is a \$75 Humanola bought of the Humanola Talking Machine Company at whose store the machine is on display. This is a prize well worth working for.

The third prize to be given is a \$50 diamond ring bought of H. M. Cook where the same is on display and which will be the envy of many a winsome lass.

The fourth prize to be given is a \$20 wrist watch bought of T. W. Gurley at whose store this valuable prize may be seen.

Then to the end all those who have been active to the close of the contest and who have not won one of the prizes will receive 10 per cent of all the money they may have taken in during this contest.

This is not a very hard task once you get started; when your friends know that you are in the contest and in to win!

The prizes offered by this paper will be won by the efforts of those taking part. Votes will be allowed on each prepaid subscription. Beside, contestants will find a 10-vote coupon in each issue of the Commercial, which, when cut out and brought or mailed to the contest department, will count towards your prize. But the quickest way to secure the most votes is for you to get subscriptions to the Commercial.

Every family in Meyersdale and the surrounding territory should have a weekly newspaper. Many of the homes of this territory are without a weekly newspaper. That is why we are offering you such valuable prizes to secure new readers. Such a field will mean a big vote for those who would like to own an automobile for a few weeks' work. Furthermore, many subscribers to the Commercial will renew their subscriptions and pay in advance that their friends may have the votes, if asked.

Enter Your Name Now.
Entrance to this contest is

easy. A contestant may name herself or have a friend name her. The nomination ballot is good for 1,000 votes—no contestant will be credited with more than one nomination.

There is no entrance fee and contestants entering the race assume no obligation of any sort. The prizes as offered will be won by those who start their campaign at once. Study the vote schedule to be published in our page announcement, and which will appear in the Commercial and you will see that it is to your interest to do your best work during the first period.

The payment of a subscription fee to a high-class newspaper is in no way a gift. No up-to-date man or woman can afford to be without a newspaper. News of the world's activities is just as essential to a well ordered home as your meals.

A full explanation of the contest will be found in a display advertisement in the Commercial.

Every detail has been covered, but if it is not clear prospective contestants are urged to write or call at the contest department at once. All questions will be cheerfully answered. The contest is a business proposition pure and simple, and the contestants are urged to approach it in a business spirit. Every detail of the contest has been worked out with great care.

Everything is open and above board; we have nothing to conceal, and desire that all persons wishing to enter shall have a full and complete understanding of our plan.

How Prizes Will Be Awarded.

First Capital Prize—1917 Overland Automobile will be awarded to the contestant having the most votes to his or her credit at the end of the contest, on Saturday, July 7th.

Second Prize—\$75 Humanola will be awarded to the contestant having the second largest number of votes to his or her credit.

Third Prize—\$50 diamond ring will be awarded to the contestant having the third largest number of votes to his or her credit.

Fourth Prize—\$20 Wrist watch will be awarded to the contestant having the fourth largest number of votes to his or her credit.

Then to the end, all those who have continued in active work will receive 10 per cent of all moneys they may have taken in during the contest.

CHATAUQUA COMING

Chatauquas have been a commendable feature of Meyersdale life, and have always been, well patronized, and thanks to the judicious management of the committee in charge, have always been fully worthy of the patronage. This year the committee has secured new and attractive features, and the date is set for the week of June 25 to 29.

The program is a semi-patriotic one and is varied in management.

Meyersdale people and people of the vicinity should arrange to be present at all the sessions.

The boys should arrange to be present the first day and take in the Physical culture feature.

The lecture and musical program could not be heard singly for anything near the price to be heard here.

Let each person in town become a Booster for the Chatauqua.

No Bone Dry Law.

A staff correspondent sends this story from Harrisburg, Pa., to the Philadelphia Inquirer:

No "bone dry" regulations for Pennsylvania during the war was the answer to the House of Representatives today upon a roll call on a motion to place upon the calendar the Mitchell bill, which had been voted upon negatively in the Law and Order Committee. The measure would prohibit the manufacture or sale of intoxicating liquors during the period of the hostilities with Germany with a view to the conservation of grain.

Representative Samuel J. Perry, of Philadelphia, spoke in opposition to the bill, declaring that in view of the fact that Congress had already voted against a similar proposition on a national scale, there was no need for action by the Pennsylvania Legislature.

It requires 104 votes to place a bill on the calendar after unfavorable action thereon by a standing committee. Upon the motion to put the bill on the calendar, the ayes were 64 and the noes 104.

The house shortly afterward passed by a vote of 104 to 6 the Stoffer bill, making it a misdemeanor for any minor to misrepresent his or her age in order to procure intoxicating liquor.

GLENCOE GOSSIP.

Alice Webreck, a registered Red Cross Nurse, of Pittsburgh is home for the week.

Mary Delozier was accompanied to a Cumberland Hospital on Tuesday by her father. Mary is an appendicitis victim.

Mrs. W. H. Miller spent a few days of this week with relatives in Pittsburgh.

Harry Bittner of Rockwood, is the proud father of a son born last Saturday. His mother is visiting them this week.

Rena Lauver, Maude Beck and Emma Hostetler of Meyersdale were week-end guests of I. D. Leydig's. They had a rare motor experience on a return from Berlin on Saturday.

Mrs. Bert Raupach and children of Cumberland, are guests at J. T. Leydig's.

Sam and Alf Bittner and Tom Poorbaugh of Akron, are spending a few weeks' vacation with relatives in town.

Adelaid Spicer, Alice Webreck and Marion Leydig took in Memorial Day at Hyndman.

Lieut. Schell was in town on Monday enlisting our young bloods.

Memorial Services at Mt. Lebanon on Sunday, will be conducted by the Sons of Veterans, and Prof. Speicher, of Berlin will make an address.

Walter Miller has turned out "Garage" for sick Fords.

Lowest prices on bran and middling at Habel & Phillips.

TEACHERS' EXAMINATIONS

The examinations for the teachers of Somerset County for the year 1917 will be held as follows:

Davidsville, June 14 and 15. Stoyestown, June 25 and 26. Somerset, July 2 and 3.

Berlin, July 5 and 6. Meyersdale, July 9 and 10. Confluence, July 11 and 12.

Hooversville, July 13 and 14. Salisbury, July 9 and 10. Rockwood, July 11 and 12.

Professional, August 8 and 9. Special, August 8 and 9. Explanatory.

Examinations will begin at nine o'clock. Each teacher must present a health certificate properly signed by a physician.

Applicants should have pen ink, scratch paper and blotters. Last year's certificates or reports are expected from all applicants.

Applicants should be examined in Pennsylvania History in addition to U. S. History.

Provisional certificates will be issued on July 19th to all those who have attained the age of 18 years and made the required standard of 18.

The school law forbids the election of any teacher who does not, at the time of his or her election, hold a valid certificate.

All who expect to apply for schools on provisional certificates shall be examined at one of the regular examinations.

All professional certificates granted prior to June 1, 1915, must be renewed this year.

Applicants for professional certificates shall present recommendations from the boards by whom they were employed last year.

Applicants for professional certificates or for renewal of professional certificates will be examined in two of the following branches: vocal music, drawing, physical geography, elementary botany, plane geometry, elementary zoology and two approved books on pedagogy.

The list of books approved by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction includes "The Teacher and the School," "Seeley's School Management," "White's School Management," "Mace's Method in History," "Carter's Teaching the Common Branches," "Stamper's The Teaching of Arithmetic," "Culter and Stone's The Rural School, Its Methods and Management," "Graves' A Student's History of Education," "Carney's Country Life and Country School," "Klapper's Teaching Children to Read."

Directors will kindly see that the school houses are open and in proper condition on the days of the examination.

D. W. Seibert, County Superintendent.

A Killing Frost.

On Saturday morning, when the thrifty housewife arose she found everything outdoors covered with a white frost and many early vegetables that had reached out too far were humbled in a very serious fashion.

Fruit and berries are damaged. The thermometer registered lower than for several years.

Indian Motorcycles and Bicycles. The famous B Streak tire with unflinching guarantee.

Supplies - Parts T. W. Gurley's Sporting Goods Store.

Sweet corn, beans, lettuce, cucumber seed, etc., in bulk at Habel & Phillips.

Remember that the small sum paid to see this exhibition will not be money sent out of town but will remain for the benefit of the Fire Company which is for the benefit of everybody in Meyersdale and vicinity.

Use of Bacon Drippings. Bacon drippings make splendid shortening for light, flaky pie crust. It takes just a little less of the drippings than of ordinary lard or vegetable shortening. Use it for shortening in spice cakes, or on any dark cake and note the delicious flavor.

Spread rye bread with a thin layer of the pure drippings and sprinkle a little salt on it. Add to this a thin slice of any salt meat and you will have a delicious and highly nutritious sandwich. The European housewife has long made use of such sandwiches for the between meal snack for growing boys and girls.

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APPROVED NEW LAWS

While more than 1500 bills have been introduced into the legislature, a comparatively small number of these have reached Governor Brumbaugh for his approval or rejection. He has wielded the veto axe very strenuously. Among the measures which met with his approval are the following:

Authorizing counties, townships or boroughs to contribute part of the purchase price for acquisition by the state of a toll road or turnpike and permitting a county to pay from condemnation of any toll road on a state highway.

Making a deficiency appropriation of \$12,000 to Far View institution.

Establishing a code for construction and maintenance of booths for moving picture machines.

Authorizing municipalities and school districts to require bonds to protect material and labor on public building construction contracts.

Amending Philadelphia municipal court law provisions for appeals under "law now existing or which may hereafter be adopted."

Amending borough code so as to provide for erection of new boroughs from parts of consolidated boroughs.

Allowing cities to contribute annually for support of national guard batteries and regimental sanitary troops.

Validating tax liens under act of 1901, and supplements.

Increasing salaries of Schuylkill poor directors from \$220 to \$250.

Repealing seven obsolete laws relative to Allegheny county.

Appropriating \$952, of which \$400 is principal, to A. K. Cassel for services as deputy dairy and food commissioner.

Authorizing suits by Ida Collins, of Somerset, and Lee Greenleaf, of Canton, against the state for injuries on state highways.

CARNIVAL NEXT WEEK

The Meyersdale Fire Department has, for some time past, been laboring in season and out to obtain a chemical engine with which the more effectively to fight fire and to get on the ground much quicker. Some funds have been secured for the purpose but not in sufficient amounts to obtain the desired results.

In order to raise the remaining balance sought the department has arranged with Smith's Greater Shows, a carnival company, to have that aggregation here all next week.

The opening performance will be given on Monday evening. There will be several free exhibitions on the ground during the week.

Animals, snakes and other usual carnival attractions will be the order of the day and evenings.

The aggregation will hold forth in Slicer's grove where many new carnival attractions may be seen. It requires 16 sixty foot cars to move this magnificent museum of carnival curiosities.

Now listen. There is a merry-go-round with 1400 candle power lights and a \$10,000 piano whose merry strains of melody may be heard during the hours of exhibition.

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Nomination Blank

GOOD FOR 1,000 VOTES
The Commercial's Automobile
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Name

Town

R. F. D.

in the Commercial Automobile Contest.

Nominated by

Address

NOTE—This nomination blank is good for 1,000 votes. Only one nomination will be accepted for each candidate. Name of person making nomination will be when so requested.