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GENERAL ELECTION TUESDAY

Tuesday, November 6th, between the hours of 7 a. m. and 7 p. m., the voters of Somerset County will visit their respective voting rooms and select three of their number to fill important vacancies occurring in county offices the coming winter, as well as a large number of borough and township officers in each and every district. For county offices the Socialist Party has a straight and full ticket nominated, as follows: John F. Wilkins of Rockwood, Financial Secretary of the Local Union U. M. W. of A., for Coroner; Aaron P. Smeed, of Holsopple, a successful and popular farmer in his district, for Poor Director; William H. Ream, of Confluence, a master carpenter and a union man, for Jury Commissioner. Henry S. Kimmel, present County Coroner, is a candidate for re-election on the Republican, Roosevelt Progressive and Democratic tickets, and A. M. Uphouse is the Prohibition nominee. E. K. Suder is running on a fusion ticket against the Socialist nominee for Poor Director, having secured the Republican, Democratic and Prohibition nominations. John S. Shaffer is a candidate for Jury Commissioner on the Republican and Roosevelt Progressive tickets, Chauncey M. Fisher, Democratic, and John G. Bender, Prohibition.

Socialists of Elk Lick Township have a full ticket in the field with fine prospects for victory. J. W. Argenbright is their candidate for Justice of the Peace, W. H. McClintock for Supervisor, James Robertson for Assessor, H. G. Lepley for Tax Collector, Lloyd Engle for Auditor, H. J. Engle for School Director, Frank Lowery for Judge and Frank Argenbright for Inspector of Election.

In Garrett all signs point to a Socialist victory. The candidates of the party for Borough offices are as follows: Justice of the Peace Lee W. Pollard, Burgess William Martin, Councilmen Albert Bolby, H. G. Weaver, Charles Colbert and H. Lehman, Assessor N. J. Judy, School Director Geo. Carter, Judge of Election Harry Lohr, Inspector Hiram Lohr.

In Hooversville, where the miners have been on strike a year and a half, prospects of a Socialist victory are looming up and causing grave concern to be felt by some coal operators of that section. Candidates of the Socialist Party are: U. S. G. Gallagher for Justice of the Peace, J. W. Nestor for Burgess, Joel Fynock, William Johnson, John Murray and P. M. Boyer for Councilmen, George Bond for Assessor, O. B. Coleman for Tax Collector, James Berkeley for Auditor, Robert Peepel for School Director, James Hilton for Judge and George Wain for Inspector of Election.

Miss Lottie May Wills, of Ursina, and James B. Watson, of Uniontown, were married last Thursday noon at the home of the bride. Rev. W. M. Bracken, of Confluence, officiating. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Wills. The bridegroom is in the lumber business in Uniontown.

400TH ANNIVERSARY OF REFORMATION

A large and attentive audience listened to an excellent lecture on "The Many-sided Luther," delivered by Rev. Dr. J. T. Huddle, of Washington, D. C., at the Zion Lutheran Church Wednesday night, October 31st. The Pastor, Rev. J. Luther Frantz presided. Rev. Mr. Winstead, of Baltimore, led in prayer. "America" and Luther's Battle-hymn, "A Mighty Stronghold," were sung by the congregation led by the Lutheran Brotherhood Chorus. Rev. A. Steel pronounced the benediction.

COAL OPERATORS ELECT OFFICERS

The Somerset County Coal Operators' Association held its annual meeting in Somerset last week and re-elected the following officers for the year: President, J. C. Brydon, of Baltimore, of the Quemahoning Creek Coal Company; Vice President, E. H. Cox, of Pittsburgh, of the United Coal Corporation; Treasurer, Samuel Stembach, of Somerset, of the Consolidation Coal Company; Secretary, B. B. Boose, of Somerset; Directors—the officers and D. B. Zimmerman, of Somerset; Telford Lewis, of Johnstown; John Gibson, Jr., of Pittsburgh; C. F. Roy, of Somerset; A. G. Smith, of Meyersdale, and Howard Meager, of Salisbury.

ORGAN RECITAL

The organ recital by Gatty Sellars, the celebrated organist in Amity Church last Tuesday evening, came off very successfully. The weather was inclement and consequently the audience was not as large as it otherwise might have been. The organ in this church is regarded a very good one and Prof. Sellars surely knew how to cause it to express itself in all manner of ways. The storm scene was made very realistic and impressive. The entertainment was concluded by playing and singing by the audience of "America."

Gatty Sellars has been described as the world's greatest descriptive organist, establishing a world's record of 500 recitals given in direct succession and which have attracted the largest audiences in the history of many of the larger cities visited for such an event. In Europe Mr. Sellars is known chiefly from his performances at the Queen's Hall and Crystal Palace, London. Prior to leaving for his American tour the musical "At Homes" given at his residence were attended by well-known titled people and many of the musicians celebrated in the musical world.

Though a bachelor, Mr. Sellars' country residence, Parklands, Leicestershire, England, contained a music hall containing a large three-manual pipe organ alongside which stood a pianoforte to listen to which frequently 120 guests would be invited. With its conservatory, tennis court, and grounds these were certainly ideal surroundings for a composer. By way of recreation Mr. Sellars is an ardent motorist, having been the owner of both English and French built cars, whilst at the week-end he was frequently to be seen living on his sailing boat on the Thames.

NEWS FROM THE COUNTY SEAT

Charles I. Shaver, Clerk of the Orphans' Court, has issued marriage licenses to the following parties during the past week.

Lester Weigle, of Stoneycreek township, and Eliza E. Glessner, of Allegheny township; Frederick R. Knight, of Belle Vernon, and Martha Ann Mahaffy, of Boswell, Homer Foust, of Somerset township, and Edna Ray Gablesberger, of Somerset Borough; Warren Younklin, and Anna Frances Parker, both of Ursina; Harvey Sylvester Spary, and Hattie Berkey, both of Boswell; Karl H. Statler, of Meyersdale and Edna Wolfersberger, of Rockwood.

Following are the wills which have been probated during the past week, in the office of Charles I. Shaver, Clerk of the Orphans' Court:

The will of Emanuel Blough, late of Somerset township was probated October, 30, 1917. He bequeathed all his real and personal property to his wife, Catherine, as long as she lives, and after her death whatever remains is to be divided equally between his and his wife's brothers and sisters, Jeremiah J. R. Reiman of Stoneycreek and James Cable, of Berlin, were appointed executors. The will was dated January 8, 1916, and witnessed by A. Kent Miller and Clara Statler.

Letters of administration have recently been issued as follows:

John S. Mathias estate of George H. Mathias, late of Meyersdale borough.

W. B. Cook, estate of David C. Meager, late of Meyersdale borough.

Ira W. Gardner, estate of Annie Belle Gardner, late of Jenner township.

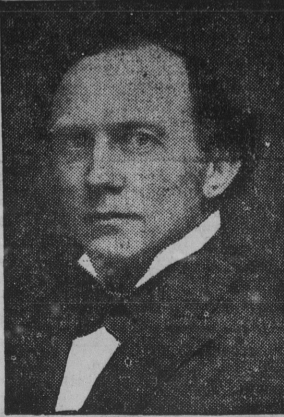
Robert W. McGregor has been appointed majority inspector for the election board of the Borough of Hooversville to fill the vacancy caused by the removal of Charles C. Ober from the borough.

LITTLE GIANT TO SPEAK

Noted Orator to Give Lecture in Amity Hall, Meyersdale, Thursday Evening, November 8th, on—

"THE WORLD ON FIRE"

A Nation wide campaign for the conservation of the food supply, man power, industrial and military efficiency for the period of the war was launched at Washington, D. C., on April 7, the day following the declaration of war.



Clinton N. Howard, of Rochester, N. Y., known as "The Little Giant," member of the War Conservation Commission is at the head of the campaign. Mass meetings have been held in the principal cities under the auspices of the Citizens' Committee representing the local civic and religious organizations.

Mr. Howard will deliver his great war address, "The World on Fire," in Amity Hall, Meyersdale, Thursday evening, November 8th. This address was first delivered at the opening

A farewell demonstration was held in the assembly room of the court house Tuesday evening at five o'clock in honor of the Colored boys, who left for Camp Lee on the 5:44 train from Somerset. The demonstration was given under the auspices of the Somerset Board of Trade. Addresses were made by Hon. Amos W. Knepper and Rev. J. M. Feightner. Music was furnished by the School Band and Sons of Veterans Drum Corps.

O. L. Eaton, former E. & O. Connettsville Division Superintendent and two years ago a resident of Somerset, has been a patient in the Pittsburgh Homeopathic Hospital ever since his resignation from the railroad service preparatory to undergoing a delicate operation which will be performed as soon as his general condition which is now improving, will permit.

The Agricultural Short Course staged by the Somerset Board of Trade drew several hundred farmers to the meetings in the court house assembly room yesterday. The instructors, Messrs. McKerron and Hayne and Miss Zella Wiggert, are among the ablest agricultural instructors in America, and the farmers appreciated their talks to the fullest degree.

The Annual Masquerade Ball of the Centurin Club was held in the Club Rooms and Annex Thursday evening. The rooms were decorated most appropriately for the occasion and the masqueraders used very artistic skill in selecting their costumes. The evening was spent in dancing and playing cards. There were 115 present.

At a convention of the Woman Suffrage Association for Somerset, Fayette, Cambria and Blair counties, which was held recently at Altoona, Mrs. E. E. Kiernan, of Somerset, was re-elected President for the ensuing year.

HALLOWE'EN PARTY

Miss Rebecca Steele gave a Halloween party to twenty-four of her little friends, last Friday evening. A happy evening was spent in games and other amusements followed by a delightful lunch. Those present were: Misses Elizabeth Williams, Elizabeth Hoblitzell, Hester Shaw, Stella Wagaman, Julia Cover, Genevieve Jenkins, Rhea Aurandt, Muriel O'Brien, Evelyn Hasselbarth, Helen Staub, Anna Bolden, Kathryn Bolden, and Ross Ickes, William Jenkins, Harry Finnegan, Nathaniel Friedline, John Shipley, Barron Shipley, Radoiphus Saylor, Homer Miller, Ralph Rosenberger, James Steele, Arthur Tipton, and Potter Shaw.

WANTS \$20,000 DAMAGES

Benjamin H. Mayhugh, of Rockwood, has entered a suit in the Somerset court against the Somerset Telephone Company claiming twenty thousand dollars damages in consequence of injuries sustained by him on April 24th, 1917, when a loosened and negligently charged wire of the telephone company came in contact with the plaintiff's body, burning his head and scalp, rendering him unconscious for several days and burning plaintiff's left forearm so severely as to necessitate subsequent amputation of the arm above the elbow, permanently impairing his eye-sight and hearing and permanently injuring his nervous system.—Som. Democrat.

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PARENT-TEACHER MEETING

The following is the program for the Parent-Teacher meeting on Friday evening, November ninth, at eight o'clock, in the Study Hall of the high school building:
Song by the Association
Reading of Minutes of Last Meeting.
Election of two parents as members of executive committee.
High School Chorus.
Address by Miss Ida Shumaker.
Song by the Association, Presentation of Humanola by Mrs. H. M. Cook.
Awarding of Banners.

SOCIALISTS ACQUITTED BY GRAND RAPIDS JURY

An Associated Press dispatch announces the acquittal of Adolph Germer, National Executive Secretary of the Socialist Party, and ten other persons who had been charged with conspiring to defeat the operation of the selective draft law. The trial was conducted in United States District Court at Grand Rapids, Michigan, and the charges grew out of a local distribution of anti-war leaflets published by the National Office of the Socialist Party and passed around from house to house by Socialists of Grand Rapids.

"GOD'S COUNTRY AND THE WOMAN"

At the Summer Garden Wednesday night a large and appreciative audience saw one of the best movie shows ever shown in Meyersdale. Each picture just a little better than the one before is the way the Summer Garden is pleasing its patrons. "God's Country and the Woman" was a story of the far north and carried with it some mighty fine scenery of the great arctic region. Those who failed to attend missed a rare treat.

Watch their program for some excellent pictures will be shown at this popular show house.

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GOOD SHOWING HERE

Of the 365 drug stores in Pennsylvania which handle the Rexall remedies, there are several in Somerset county which stand well to the top of the list in the volume of business they did last year. The Rexall all concern issued a bulletin annually showing the rank of each store. The Washko store at Windber stands 43rd., Collins' store at Meyersdale 53rd. and Mullin's store at Somerset 64th.

MASQUERADE PARTY

The Sophomore class of the High School entertained the Senior class by holding a masquerade party on the second floor of the Pfahler building, Friday evening. About 75 persons were present.

ENTERTAINED CLUB

Mrs. John Cover entertained the L. B. T. Club at her home on Front street, Thursday afternoon. Refreshments were served.

BIG SHOOTING AT SOMERSET

The annual 'shooting match' at the R. F. Hammer farm in Jenner township last Saturday, drew a large attendance of crack marksmen from Somerset and several adjoining counties.

The Ebensburg, Greensburg, Ligonier, Johnstown, Boswell and Davidsville gun clubs sent their best riflemen to the "Hammer" match this year to contest for the twelve turkeys offered for their superior skill, and the honor of carrying "first gun" far outweighed any possible material prize to be contested for.

The weather was almost ideal for a "shooting match"—just enough "frost tang" in the air to keep the contestants "on edge."

The match was conducted over a fifty-one-yard range. Telescopic sights and other devices tending to make the contest mechanical were barred, making the match purely one of skill. The guns of Pope and Stevens manufacture.

The following are the winners that resulted: "Win" S. Walker, of Johnstown, 4; A. G. Heckman, of Somerset, 3; E. Bowers, of Johnstown, 2; Palmer Hammer, of Glessner, 1.

Remarkably accurate marksmanship was demonstrated, in which the contestants showed the keenest, though friendly, rivalry, and so close was the "gunmen's" work that several ties resulted, and in each winning a perfect center-shot was required to decide ownership of the birds.

OLDEST LUTHERAN HAS CENTURY BIRTHDAY

The Rev. Dr. William Gerhart, retired Lutheran minister of Cumberland, celebrated his one hundredth birthday Sunday.

Dr. Gerhart was born in Germany and came to this country with his parents when a child.

He taught school in the villages of Summit Mills and Meyers Mills, now Meyersdale, Pa., in 1834 and 1835. He was graduated from Gettysburg College and Seminary and entered the ministry in 1847. He is the oldest member of the oldest Lutheran Synod Ministerium of Pennsylvania.

He was twice married. His second wife and six children are living.

He is the father of the West Virginia Knights of Pythias and at a celebration will be presented with 100 \$1 gold pieces by the grand lodge.

The Rev. Dr. Gerhart attended the Lutheran Church Sunday and delivered a short address.

SPROAT-SAYLOR

On Saturday, October 20th, Mr. Robert Lee Sproat, of Windber, was married to Miss Anna Florence Saylor, daughter of Jacob S. Saylor, of west Broad street, Rev. Dr. Truxal officiating. The ceremony was performed in the Saylor home in the presence of the members of the family. Mr. Saylor had been in bed for several weeks with a severe spell of illness which prevented much ado to be made over the glad affair. After a brief visit with Mr. and Mrs. Swearman, at Markleton, sister and brother-in-law of the bride, the married couple went direct to Windber which is to be their future home. Miss Saylor, as noted above, is a native of Meyersdale, but had lived in Boswell the past six or seven years, being employed in the First National Bank of that place. Mr. Sproat is in the coal business at Windber. Congratulations and best wishes of the Commercial go with the young couple for a successful career through life.

Best Kidney Beans at 15 and 25 cents per can, at Bittner's Grocery.