

TIPS ON THE WEATHER

Scheme For Posting Accurate Data For All In Streets.

OFFICIAL BOOTHS TO BE USED

Kiosks Containing Most Improved Type of Weather Recording Instruments Will Be Placed by the Weather Bureau in Centers of All the Larger American Cities.

"Old Probs" purposes to court popularity by bringing his records and predictions down to the street level and giving the lotteries in City Hall park, New York, and similar places all over the United States direct official intelligence of the state of the atmosphere, its warmth and density and its probable disturbances, says a Washington correspondent of the New York Tribune.

Professor Willis L. Moore, chief of the United States weather bureau, has perfected plans to set up kiosks containing thermometers, barometers and weather recording instruments of the most improved and accurate type in the centers of all the larger cities, in the crowded business districts and in the parks chiefly frequented. It has long been the habit of most persons to reject the figures of the weather bureau during particularly hot or cold seasons because its thermometers are placed on high, breezy buildings or protected from the biting blizzards of the street levels. Thermometers of uncertain scientific value which are affected by soda fountain sales at drug stores and other business places have been readily taken as the criterion of heat and cold, with the result that the masses do not realize the value of accurate figures and have to get their ideas of temperature through unreliable sources.

In order that this may be obviated as much as possible the weather bureau will erect small kiosks, in which the best thermometers, both stationary and recording, will be protected from the sun's rays and exposed to the public. There will also be constantly on exhibition a standard barometer, which will enable people to possess an intelligent idea of atmospheric conditions for themselves. Besides these instruments, weather maps and such data as are of popular information will be displayed on the sides of the booths and will be kept up to the minute by boys on bicycles.

The booths, or boxes, will be built so as not to exceed two feet square and six or eight feet high and with a view to making them as slightly and as decorative as possible. They will be made to conform as much as possible to the surroundings with the idea of making them as familiar articles to the public as the mail boxes or fire alarm stations.

The weather bureau has a general appropriation which will cover the expense of establishing a limited number of these kiosks, which, according to the present plans, will be distributed among the larger cities and in those districts where such instruments are likely to be most appreciated. In order that ample protection may be afforded the delicate and expensive instruments they will be combined with the letter boxes, so that the same police regulations which govern the United States mails will restrict any injury or disfigurement of the booths or instruments. It is expected that after the booths have been established laws will be enacted which will insure further protection to the property.

If the plan is greeted with the popular interest which is expected, it is probable that the weather kiosks will be established all over the United States.

GOLDEN RULE JUDGE.

Toledo Jurist Has Flags, Plants and Mottoes in His Courtroom.

Judge Austin, who recently took charge of the police court in Toledo, O., has adopted the Golden Rule plan for dispensing justice, says a Toledo dispatch to the New York Sun.

His first move in preparing for his new duties was to have mottoes placed on the walls of the courtroom. Further touches of adornment were to be added by the installation of a large American flag and palms and other plants.

Over the bench is the motto "Do unto others as you would have others do unto you." Other mottoes on the walls are "A wrong confessed is half redressed," "Men may rise on stepping stones of their dead selves to higher things," "Honor and shame from no condition rise; act well your part—there all the honor lies."

These mottoes are intended to have a guiding influence upon prisoners, attorneys, court attaches and juries.

Judge Austin will bar all minors and loafers from the courtroom. He has been dubbed the Golden Rule Judge.

Arizona's New Seal.

The territory of Arizona has acquired a new great seal, says a Phoenix correspondent of the Los Angeles Times. The old seal was adjudged out of date, its design being about as stiff as the decorations on the tombs of the pharaohs. In accordance with the legislative act establishing it, it contained what purported to be a representation of the San Francisco mountains, a pine tree, a cactus and a deer. These features are included in the new seal also, but they are far more lifelike and more true to nature. The designer is Warren E. Rollins, an artist who has spent much time in Arizona painting the Grand canyon and in studying Indian types.

Worse and Worse.

A convict in a German prison had been extremely refractory. One means and another had been tried, but nothing could break his spirit.

ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE DIRECTORS OF THE POOR OF DANVILLE AND MAHONING POOR DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING JAN. 1, 1908.

J. P. BARE, Treasurer.

To balance due Directors at last settlement..... \$ 549.49

To cash received from return taxes..... 16.48

To cash received from M. Cromwell..... 648.3

To cash received from J. P. Bare, Hahn..... 185.39

To cash received from Gregory dowery..... 6.00

To cash received from farm..... 14.03

To cash received from E. G. Wertman on duplicate for 1907..... 583.21

To cash received from J. P. Bare on duplicate for 1907..... 570.00

To cash received from J. P. Bare on duplicate for 1907..... 756.15

To cash received from J. P. Bare on duplicate for 1907..... 57.00

To cash received from J. P. Bare on duplicate for 1907..... 40.21

To cash received from J. P. Bare on duplicate for 1907..... 665.15

To cash received from J. P. Bare on duplicate for 1907..... \$ 889.09

By whole amount of orders paid by the Treasurer during the year 1907..... 7696.15

By balance due Directors at present settlement..... \$992.94

Directors of Danville and Mahoning Poor District in Account with the District.

To balance due from Treasurer at last settlement..... 549.49

To balance due from E. G. Wertman at last settlement on duplicate for the year 1907..... 4.92

To balance due from E. G. Wertman on duplicate for 1907..... 93.91

To balance due from J. P. Bare on duplicate for 1907..... 51.38

To balance due from J. P. Bare on duplicate for 1907..... 834.89

To amount of duplicate issued J. P. Bare for the Borough of Danville..... 686.87

To amount of duplicate issued J. P. Bare for the township of Mahoning for the year 1907..... 800.56

To cash received from return taxes..... 16.48

To cash received from M. Cromwell..... 648.3

To cash received from J. P. Bare, Hahn..... 185.39

To cash received from Gregory dowery..... 6.00

To cash received from farm..... 14.03

To cash received from E. G. Wertman on duplicate for 1907..... 583.21

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To cash received from J. P. Bare on duplicate for 1907..... \$ 889.09

By commission allowed E. W. Peters on duplicate for the year 1907..... 4.70

By commission allowed J. P. Bare on duplicate for the year 1907..... 39.79

By exonerations allowed J. P. Bare on duplicate for the year 1907..... 31.35

By amount returned of J. P. Bare on duplicate for the year 1907..... 7.63

By amount allowed J. P. Bare of 5 per cent on \$370.96 on duplicate for year 1907..... 208.82

By commission allowed J. P. Bare of 2 per cent on \$502.09 on duplicate for year 1907..... 102.04

By commission allowed J. P. Bare of 5 per cent on 736.51 on duplicate for year 1907..... 36.84

By amount returned by J. P. Bare on duplicate for the year 1907..... 7.95

By balance due from J. P. Bare on duplicate for 1907..... 781.92

By balance due from J. P. Bare on duplicate for 1907..... 211

By exonerations allowed J. P. Bare on duplicate for 1907..... 2.00

By exonerations allowed J. P. Bare on duplicate for 1907..... 7.06

By exonerations allowed J. P. Bare on duplicate for 1907..... 24.59

Stock Raised. 100 Chickens..... \$ 37.00, 2 Calves..... 14.00, 28 Pigs..... 12.00, 4 Turkeys..... 17.00, \$176.00

How the Great Heron Stabs Fish With Its Lancelike Bill.

While the kingfisher feeds by day, the great heron begins his fishing at dusk just as the storks peep forth. When I am about to make the last casts and stop fishing in a trout pool I hear the loud whizz of his vast stretch of wings passing close by, flying low to a favorite shallow part of the river, and down drop his long legs, and he settles right down to business, motionless as a stone.

He watches with unweary patience when he does strike it is as quick and as sure as fate, for the first lunkish fish that approaches within his reach is seized with surprising dexterity.

Like the kingfisher, the heron beats to death those fish of larger size, swallowing them whole, headfirst, such being their uniform positions when found in the stomach. He will then at once assume the same attitude of silent watchfulness, and the finny tribe, though frightened at his first dash among them, return again in a short interval only to be transmogrified with his long lance-shaped bill.

"Homrady's 'Natural History' says: 'When a heron is fishing it stalks slowly and silently along the shore, preferably in water about six inches deep, its head carried well forward, but about on a level with its shoulders, while its big eyes keenly scrutinize every object in the water. It takes long steps and plants each foot softly in the true still hunter fashion to avoid alarming its game.'

It was during the Franco-German war, and Captain Haworth was on his way home charged with dispatches from the English ambassador, then at Tours. He got as far as the town of Le Mans, when something suggested to the excited townsfolk the idea that he was a Prussian spy.

He was arrested, carried before the judge de paix and required to give an account of himself.

He was in the service of the British government and produced his credentials. He was then asked to show the contents of the little bag which, as he admitted, contained his official dispatches. This he absolutely refused to do, though he showed them the government label and seal.

His refusal was thought suspicious, and he was plainly told that unless he could produce some more satisfactory evidence he must be prepared to die. The unlucky messenger was actually led away for execution and was saved only by some little glimmering of common sense in the captain of the guard he was committed to.

This officer remonstrated with his prisoner on the folly of refusing to satisfy the court by submitting his papers to their inspection. Captain Haworth told him that their bullets should go through that bag and his breast at the same time and that then they would have to reckon with the British government. The officer seemed to be impressed and sent him back to the authorities. After further parley the Englishman was ordered to clear out of the town with all speed, an order which he did his best to comply with.

Cruel of the Judge.

A man was recently being tried for murder, but the evidence against him was so weak that the judge directed the jury to find a verdict of "Not guilty" and notified the court of his intention to stop the case. But the youthful counsel for the defense wanted the opportunity of becoming famous. He asked permission to address the court. "Certainly, Mr. Cantspout," remarked the judge. "We'll hear you with pleasure, but first, for safety's sake, we'll acquit the prisoner."

The learned counsel blushed.—London Scraps.

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Receipts and Expenditures of Montour County, Penn'a.

For the Year Ending January 6th., A. D., 1908.

STATEMENT SHOWING THE TAX ACCOUNTS OF THE SEVERAL COLLECTORS FOR THE YEAR 1907. Table with columns for DISTRICTS, COLLECTORS, COUNTY TAX, STATE TAX, and DOG TAX.

N.B.—Taxes remaining due and unpaid for prior years as follows:—David C. Johnson, Collector of Derry Township, Dog Tax for 1906, \$30.87.

S. K. HOFFMAN, TREASURER IN ACCOUNT WITH MONTOUR COUNTY.

DR. TO CASH RECEIVED FROM THE FOLLOWING SOURCES:

Table listing receipts from various sources including County tax received for 1907, State tax received for 1907, Dog tax received for 1907, etc.

S. K. HOFFMAN, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH LICENSES RECEIVED DURING THE YEAR 1907.

Table listing receipts from various license categories such as Wholesale and retail mercantile licenses, Pool licenses, Eating house licenses, etc.

CLASSIFIED ACCOUNT OF EXPENDITURES.

COURT EXPENSES AND COMMONWEALTH COSTS:

Table listing court expenses including Grand jurors, Traverse jurors, Constables making quarterly returns, etc.

D. C. WILLIAMS, SHERIFF:

Table listing sheriff's expenses including Boarding prisoners and turkey, Drawing and notifying jurors, Washing for prisoners, etc.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, AUDITORS, ETC.:

Table listing salaries and expenses of county officials including Charles W. Cook, George M. Leighow, etc.

ELECTION EXPENSES:

Table listing election expenses including Spring election, General election, Montour County Democrat for official and specimen ballots, etc.

ASSESSORS PAY:

Table listing assessor's pay including Annual Assessment, Registry of Voters, Registry of School Children, etc.

NOXIOUS ANIMALS:

Table listing payments for noxious animals including 308 Weasels at \$1.00, 17 Minks at \$1.00, 2 Foxes at \$2.00.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF MONTOUR COUNTY.

Table showing assets and liabilities including bonded indebtedness, Commonweath taxes on County indebtedness, etc.

S. K. HOFFMAN, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE SEVERAL DISTRICTS FOR TAXES ARISING FROM UNSEATED LANDS AND COLLECTORS RETURNS.

Table showing tax accounts for various districts including Anthony Township, Cooper Township, etc.

We, the undersigned Commissioners of Montour County, Pa., do hereby certify that the foregoing statement of receipts and expenditures of said county for the year ending January 6th., A. D., 1908, is true and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

TO THE HONORABLE THE JUDGES OF THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF THE COUNTY OF MONTOUR, Pa. We, the undersigned Auditors of Montour County, State of Pennsylvania, after having been duly qualified according to the law, respectfully report that we have audited the accounts of the Treasurer, S. K. Hoffman, for the year ending January 6th., A. D., 1908, and find a balance due the several districts of Two Hundred and Eighty Dollars and Eighty Seven Cents (\$287.70).

THOS. VAN SANT, J. B. WOOD, G. R. SECHLER, GEORGE M. LEIGHOW, COUNTY AUDITORS.