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## IRVING BOULEVARD.

The project to beautify Main street from State Bridge to the Town Limits by turning it into a boulevard with driveways on either side, as suggested by State Highway Commissioner Joseph W. Hunter, is one worthy of serious consideration by all public-spirited citizens of the city of Honesdale. The Maple City has long since outgrown the "swaddling clothes" stage of its existence, and is ready to put on finery worthy of the dignity and standing of the municipality in Northeastern Pennsylvania. The idea to improve Upper Main street by putting down a brick pavement is an excellent one. Oh the "muddy" mud that disgraces our streets; the execrable crossings that soil one's shoes, that fill one's rubbers, that discolor Madame's raiment, and that tend to profanity! Something ought to be done.

## "BULL DURHAM."

Notwithstanding the wide publicity and the extensive free advertising given the photographic reproductions of the Fourth of July Reno fiasco by the misguided clergy of many of the denominational churches last Summer, the moving pictures of the Jeffries-Johnson fight at the Lyric Theatre, Wednesday evening, met with the usual frigid reception accorded them in other cities, a small and disgusted crowd sitting through the prolonged agony of "hand-shaking" and "clenching," in sullen silence, for more than two hours.

There was absolutely nothing in the pictures that could wound the tender sensibilities of the most devoted church-goer. There were no suggestive situations, no questionable scenes, nothing in fact but the sorry spectacle of a black man licking a white man.

We recall last Summer when the agitation against the exhibition of the "fight" pictures was at its height in the city, it was a common joke among the newspapermen, that if you were short of copy, and wanted a story, all you had to do was to attend the weekly ministerial meetings, and you were sure to get a half column or more of "hot stuff" on the fight pictures. One meeting in particular, that we covered, lasted almost three hours, and the amount of pious twaddle emitted by the gentlemen of the cloth, who protested vehemently and vociferously against the Mayor for his permitting the film concerns to show their pictures in Philadelphia was sickening to say the least.

Less than half a dozen women sat through the agony here Wednesday night, and it was a bored and tired looking crowd that filed out of the theatre when the show was over.

"Pommery Champagne" and "Bull Durham" advertisements appeared on almost every film, and one was tempted to think that perhaps the downfall of the famous champion may have been due to too frequent indulgence in the latter.

The race problem is becoming an acute one in our country. All exhibitions of the temporary supremacy of one race over another only tend to intensify the feeling of bitterness already existing between the sons of Ham and the sons of Japheth.

## OFFENSIVE POSTAL CARDS.

Recent action on the part of the District authorities to suppress the display of offensive postal cards emphasizes a menace to good taste as good morals that has of late years spread to an alarming extent. The Federal powers are called into service when the prurient picture card has once been mailed, according to the Washington Post, but the prevention of its public display lies outside their jurisdiction. Hence the crusade inaugurated by the police and the office of the district attorney to free the city from any display calculated to reflect upon the good name of Washington in this respect must appeal to all that is best in its citizenship.

About the only comfort that can be drawn from a consideration of the picture postal card nuisance is that it represents tolerance rather than choice on the part of the American people. Certainly the perverted sense of humor disclosed in these questionable prints is not characteristic of the country. American humor, while living a wide range from the subtle to the slap-dash,

and at times even descending to coarseness in a sense, has never been unclean. At its worst it has been refreshingly free from gross indecencies, or, what is even more objectionable, from questionable expressions capable of a double meaning.

If, then, the quality of American humor has not fallen into complete decay, the cheap wit of the postal card must shortly live out its time. Of course, any right-minded person would as soon think of mailing one of these specimens of degraded art as he would of mailing any other sort of vulgar picture. But all do not possess either the moral sense or the inbred quality that enables them to make the necessary distinction between what is humorous and what is coarse, and the fact that the offensive postal is designed for mailing seems to give them a kind of government permission to transfer the contamination of their second-hand witticisms to those unfortunate enough to be classed among their friends. It is probable that the city authorities aim at the protection of the latter rather than the regeneration of the former in their renewed efforts to suppress this evil. That alone is sufficient to make the movement particularly commendable.

## HARRISBURG LETTER.

Harrisburg, Nov. 26.—Preparations are going forward for the assembling of the Legislature in January, and the chambers occupied by the House and Senate are being cleaned so as to present a tidy appearance. Hon. W. E. Crow of Fayette county will undoubtedly be elected President pro tem, of the Senate and Hierman Kephart will be made Chief Clerk. So far there has arisen no opposition to John F. Cox as Speaker of the House, his services in that capacity at the last session being satisfactory in general. Hon. Thomas Garvin, of Delaware county, will be made Chief Clerk, and Charles Johnson, of Montgomery county, Resident Clerk. With the machinery of both branches in such experienced hands, little time need be lost in getting down to work.

One of the first things before the Legislature will be the election of a United States Senator to succeed Hon. Henry W. Oliver. While he does not at present seem to have the united support of the Republican party, Senator Oliver will undoubtedly be re-elected, as it will be impossible to crystallize the opposition on any strong candidate against him. The western end of the state will thus have a goodly share of the larger offices. Beside the Governor-elect, Mr. Tener, there will be a U. S. Senator, President pro tem, of the Senate, Speaker of the House, Auditor General, and Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Governor Tener has not indicated as to his choice of a Cabinet, but he will retain Secretary McAfee beyond a doubt, as his chief adviser. Mr. McAfee thinks and does a whole lot, though he talks but little. Dr. Samuel G. Dixon will be asked to stay at the head of the Health Department. The salary of this office, which is \$10,000 a year, offers no inducement whatever to Dr. Dixon, for he is comfortably well off. He is moreover well at the top in his profession and has built up a Department, from the beginning, which is the envy of many other states in the Union. He has a great faculty for details and keeps thoroughly in touch with the vast ramifications of the largest department on the Hill.

Governor Tener will have the naming of an Attorney General to succeed Mr. Todd, and this office will probably go to a Westerner. There are also Factory Inspector, Commissioner of Banking, Adjutant General, Secretary of Agriculture, Superintendent of State Police, State Librarian, Head of the Department of Mines, Superintendent of Public Grounds and Buildings, and a lot of others, with their deputies, and clerks, several hundreds. These are wondering what the new Governor will do, and how he feels on the question of retention. It is inevitable that there should be some changes, but nobody wants to be disturbed. Probably not many Berry supporters will be kept in office and loyalty to the administration will be one of the requirements of retention. This is absolutely right and fair, for no one should wish or ask to be retained in office under an administration with which he is not thoroughly in sympathy and to which he cannot give hearty and earnest support.

The Keystone party is preparing for a longer stay in politics than usual, by parties of this nature. The year 1911 offers no particular difficulties to that course, as there will be a number of county offices worth going after, and the Keystoneers developed considerable strength in some counties. Will it show the necessary cohesion to carry it over the period when there is no exciting campaign? Can it survive without patronage of any kind? When 1912 comes around, with a Presidential campaign, will it continue to do business at the old stand? At first glance it would seem as though the bulk of its strength, made up from temporary desertion of the old parties by Republicans and Democrats, for a particular reason, will vote with the old parties in National conflicts, unless, (and this is not very likely to happen) an objectionable candidate should be nominated for President. Much can happen in a year, but there seems no probability of a Keystone party in 1912.

The State's fiscal year, which closes on November 30, will show an income of about twenty-nine millions, with expenses falling considerably below this. Unless a period of hard times should strike us, there seems no reason for thinking it will go below this figure for some time. N. E. HAUSE.

# JOINT POMONA GRANGE SESSIONS

Hope Grange Wins Banner For Most New Members---Prizes Awarded For Fine Corn---Seven Candidates Initiated---Interesting Sessions.

Wayne County Pomona Grange No. 41 convened with Beach Grove Grange No. 1089. Grange opened in the usual form in the fourth degree at 10 a. m. with Worthy Master M. G. Noble in the chair.

Reading of the minutes of the previous meeting. Reports of subordinate granges were next called for and read. For some unaccountable reason the reports came in slow, some of them several days after the meeting, notwithstanding the secretaries had about three weeks to report in and the postage prepaid. The reports in the secretaries hands show that Hope Grange had received the largest number of new members for the quarter and the banner was awarded to them. F. M. Shaffer made the announcement that Hope Grange at South Canaan would entertain Pomona the latter part of January, 1911. It was expected that an election of officers would take place at this time but State Grange has provided that the election of officers in Pomona Grange be held bi-annually.

W. W. Baker, of Honesdale, being present, gave an instructive talk on agriculture, and Grange adjourned for dinner.

The ladies of Beach Lake anticipated that a large number of patrons would be present and in this particular they were not disappointed. Every thing was in readiness and no time was lost in providing for the needs of all present. An excellent dinner was served and much credit is due the ladies and members of this prosperous and enterprising Grange.

## AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 2 p. m. Grange came to order and the regular routine of business was taken up.

The following committees were appointed:  
Time and Place, John Knorr, O. E. Bunnell, H. R. Samson.  
Soliciting, R. E. Ransom, George Erk, Viola Knorr.

Resolutions, F. L. Hartford, G. A. Curtis, S. Saunders.  
Worthy Lecturer now occupied the chair and gave the address of welcome while the Worthy Master, M. G. Noble, gave the response.

The question arose, "How Can We Make Pomona Grange More Helpful to the Subordinate Granges and the Farmer?"  
The subject of corn culture was next introduced and some valuable information gleaned relative to the growing of good crops of corn.

Song by the Grange. A short recess was taken after which Grange

came to order when the subject of "Op Dressing" was introduced. A general discussion followed and many valuable suggestions brought out.

Several varieties of fine corn were on exhibition in the hall consisting of ten ears of each variety, grown by members of Beach Grove Grange. Judges were at this time appointed and the corn judged when prizes of one dollar each were awarded by Beach Grove Grange to the following persons:  
F. W. Stephens on flint corn; Edward Blake on pop corn; Edward Blake on dent corn.

## EVENING SESSION.

A fifth degree session was called to order. The soliciting committee reported seven candidates for this degree and they were obligated in the degree of Pomona.

The committee on resolutions offered the following:  
Resolved, That we endorse the position of the State Grange in regard to parcel post; the initiative and referendum and the election of United States Senators by the direct vote of the people, also

Resolved, That we petition through the legislative committee, the governor and legislature of Pennsylvania to appropriate the sum of \$10,000,000 per year for popular education and that a special amount shall be set aside to aid the sparsely settled school districts of the state.  
That we approve of the introduction of elementary agriculture in the public schools.

F. L. HARTFORD,  
G. A. CURTIS,  
SAMUEL SAUNDERS,  
Committee.

Song by the grange. A very interesting and instructive talk on elementary agriculture in the public schools was given by County Supt. J. J. Koehler.

A musical selection by Adam and Miss Viola Knorr.  
An able address by W. E. Perham on the Pennsylvania Dairy Union was listened to with marked attention.

Recitation by Miss Flora Loomis. Song by Homer Near. Song by H. R. Samson. Select reading by Mrs. E. E. Kinsman.  
On motion a rising vote of thanks was extended to the members of Beach Grove Grange for their generous hospitality and kind entertainment.

W. H. BULLOCK,  
Secretary

## EDISON INVENTS AEROPLANE.

But He Doesn't Want Much Said About the Machine.

West Orange, N. J., Dec. 1.—Thomas A. Edison has admitted that he had invented a heavier than air flying machine, but begged his interviewer not to enlarge upon the subject. Aviation and the immortality of the soul are subjects that he is not now discussing. "I am sick and tired of hearing questions on both these things, and, for goodness sake, don't speak of them!" he implored.

"Every morning I get a stack of letters a foot high from aeroplane cranks who are worrying their heads off because I have neglected to manifest an interest in aviation. They offer suggestions and want my help in working out their problems.

"I admit that I have a little patent along aeroplane lines. It is a simple thing that I sent to Washington with some other patents a long time ago." Briefly described, the invention consists of a basket hung on a vertical shaft, on the upper end of which revolve box kites or other form of aeroplanes at sufficient speed to lift the whole affair. Its chief merit is that the center of gravity being low keeps the machine in automatic balance.

## Indigestion Goes

G. W. Peil Sells Best Prescription on the Money Back Plan.

Almost everybody knows that sick headache, nervousness and dizziness, are caused by a disordered stomach. Upset stomach and indigestion happen just because the food you eat does not digest—but lies in the stomach and ferments or turns sour. You can stop fermentation and stomach distress in five minutes by using MI-O-NA stomach tablets, a prescription that has done more to cure indigestion and put the stomach in fine condition than all the specialists on earth.

A large 50 cent box of MI-O-NA stomach tablets is all you need to get quick and lasting relief. G. W. Peil guarantees them.

Mrs. Aitie Etson, of 93 Dun Road, Battle Creek, Mich., used MI-O-NA and within two months was in as good health as ever, and has a strong stomach and eats anything she likes. She attributes her good health to MI-O-NA.

If you have heartburn, belching of gas, heaviness or any stomach trouble no matter how chronic, try MI-O-NA stomach tablets on money back plan. Sold by G. W. Peil and leading druggists everywhere.

**CASTORIA**  
For Infants and Children.  
The Kind You Have Always Bought  
Bears the Signature of *Wm. D. Galt*

## COLD WAVE TRAPS MANY.

Poor Chicagoans, Caught Unawares, Are Suffering.

Chicago, Dec. 1.—Old fashioned winter weather, the kind most persons detest, but a few superheated individuals rejoice in, has struck Chicago. Many poor people, caught unawares, are suffering.

Up in the northwest the cold wave is increasing in intensity and advancing eastward, below zero temperatures being reported from Montana, North Dakota and the British northwest. At Devils Lake, N. D., the mercury dropped to 4 below, while at St. Paul it was only 8 above zero.

## Attell Wins From Moore.

New York, Dec. 1.—Abe Attell, the American featherweight champion, proved too scientific for Pal Moore, the eighteen-year-old Philadelphia boxer, in a one sided ten round bout at the Fairmont A. C.

## Pennsylvania Earning Less.

New York, Dec. 1.—The Pennsylvania railroad has issued a statement showing a decrease of \$198,000 gross and \$572,000 in net earnings for the lines east of Pittsburg and a decrease of approximately \$1,500,000 in net earnings for the system as a whole.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County, SS:

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. L. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure.

FRANK J. CHENEY,  
Notary Public

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1888.

(Seal) A. W. GLEASON,  
Notary Public

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO.,  
Toledo, O.  
Sold by all Druggists, 75c.  
Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

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# Christmas Presents!

We have the Largest and Best line of the following goods in the county at prices ranging as follows:

- Horse Blankets at 75c to \$7.50 each.
- Lap Robes for Carriage or Auto use, Fur, Plush and Fine Wool, at from \$3 to \$12 each.
- Trunks from \$3 to \$20 each.
- Dress-suit Cases, \$1 to \$12 each.
- Traveling Bags, 50c to \$15 each.
- Ladies' and Gent's Pocket Books, 10c to \$10 each.
- Gentlemen's Fur Driving Coats, \$10 to \$35.
- Fur Driving Gloves, \$1.25 to \$6.
- Fur Lined Gloves, \$2 to \$3.50.

We also carry a full line of Working and Driving Gloves and Mittens.

HAVING SECURED MORE HELP IN THE Work Shop I am prepared to do all harness work promptly.

**BETZ** Harness and Horse Furnishing Goods.

## REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE

# Farmers and Mechanics Bank

OF HONESDALE, PA.

AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS NOV. 9, 1910.

## RESOURCES.

Loans ..... \$191,640.75  
Stocks, Bonds and Mortgages ..... 92,068.23  
Cash and Reserve ..... 51,555.39  
Real Estate ..... 20,703.96  
\$355,968.33

## LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock ..... \$75,000.00  
Surplus and Profits ..... 14,502.72  
Deposits ..... 266,465.61  
\$355,968.33

## COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF DEPOSITS.

June 1st, 1907 - - \$ 24,398.54  
May 1st, 1908, - - \$109,896.20  
May 1st, 1909, - - \$161,077.58  
May 2nd, 1910, - - \$241,843.67  
Nov. 9, 1910, - - \$266,465.61