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W. W. WOOD IS INDUSTRIAL SCOUT

Greater Honesdale Board of Trade Makes New Departure.

"BIGGER, BETTER, BUSIER" MUNICIPALITY ASSURED—KEY-NOTE OF CAMPAIGN—"FORWARD!"

The Greater Honesdale Board of Trade held its November meeting Friday evening. Considerable important business was transacted from what was stated concerning Honesdale's future will be bright.

W. W. Wood, who was elected unit treasurer, appeared before the board and volunteered to act as industrial scout or agent for Honesdale. Mr. Wood said he had three prospects and was confident that he could secure one of them.

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MINSTREL SHOW GRAND SUCCESS.

A crowded house greeted the German Catholic club minstrel show in their hall last Wednesday evening. A number of catchy musical selections were rendered, which elicited much applause.

Owing to the hit made Tuesday night the show was repeated on Thursday evening. The total proceeds amounted to nearly \$175.

Paul Sonner, who acted as musical director, certainly merited the praise he is receiving. The executive committee consisted of Edward Murtha, carpenter; Chris Hook, electrician; Paul Sonner, musical director; Frank Vetter, business manager; John Rickert, costumes; C. Smith and F. Weniger, refreshments.

LUTHER LEAGUERS HOLD CONVENTION

Semi-Annual Gathering Held in St. John's Lutheran Church

ENTHUSIASTIC MEETING OF YOUNG PEOPLE LAST THURSDAY AT COUNTY SEAT.

The thirty-eighth semi-annual convention of the Northeastern District Pennsylvania Division Luther League of America, was held last Thursday in St. John's Evangelical Lutheran church, Honesdale, Rev. C. C. Miller, pastor, with a large attendance of delegates, visitors and clergymen from Luzerne, Wyoming, Lackawanna and Wayne counties.

The morning session was opened at 10:30 o'clock with a devotional service conducted by the pastor of the church, Rev. C. C. Miller, who also delivered the address of welcome in which he said that he hoped the convention might realize that the young people of St. John's are a power and force for good wherever they go.

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Harry Osborn, Noxen, read the report of statistical secretary R. K. Mosser. The fifteen leagues comprising the district reported a total membership of 649, consisting of 253 males and 396 females.

Other topics presented and discussed at the afternoon session included "The Privilege of Service," and "Requisites for Good Service—Faith and Prayer and Loyalty." "Service" being the keynote of the convention.

Election Averages 26 Cents Per Voter.

The election expenses of November 7 amounted to \$1,655.83, or an average of 26 cents per voter. In detail it cost Wayne county \$819 for election officers, \$154.23 mileage for return judges, \$284.50 for rental of election boxes, \$192.40 for constables and \$72 to justices for ballot boxes.

BULLOCK BACK FROM HARRISBURG

Attended Annual Meeting of State Orchard Inspectors.

SAYS GREENING APPLES WILL MAKE GOOD PIES—WHEN TO PLANT.

Horticultural Inspector W. H. Bullock, whose district embraces Wayne, Pike and Monroe counties, returned Saturday night from Harrisburg, where he attended the annual "round-up" meeting of the twenty-two State inspectors who are employed by State Zoologist H. T. Surface to look after the model and inspection orchards in Pennsylvania.

"We were there," he said, "from the first to the fourth, from Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock until Friday night. The meetings are always held at the capital. We were out at Prof. Surface's orchards one day. W. J. Lewis gave us instructions in box-packing apples.

"The apples on display in Spettigues window are from W. J. P. Warwick's orchard near Inglehart. I did the work there. All the work was under my supervision during the past two years.

"All of the twenty-two inspectors were there. We have over 1300 orchards now under our supervision in the State. I myself must have about forty or fifty orchards all together to look after.

"Yes, we can do quite considerable work in winter. We do a good deal of work pruning and making lime-sulfur wash and giving demonstrations in winter. We tell about the pumps and give instructions about spraying.

"We travel a good deal further in a year than you'd think. I was always afraid to buy a mileage book. Last February I bought one, and I've used up pretty nearly three mileage books since then. I want one of those things to put on the wagon next year to know how far I drive. We go a long way. There's no question about it.

WAYNE COUNTY TEACHERS HERE

245 Pedagogues Attend 44th Annual Institute at County Seat

INTERESTING AND INSTRUCTIVE LECTURES GIVEN BY FAMOUS EDUCATORS.

With all of the two hundred and forty-five teachers enrolled, the forty-fourth annual Teachers' Institute of Wayne county was auspiciously opened Monday afternoon in the High School Auditorium, Honesdale, by County Superintendent J. J. Koehler.

"They're all \$3 richer now," gushed one fair school marm to another, after Prof. Mark T. Creasy, Hawley, had marked the attendance.

"It isn't the \$3," she rattled on, "but I wouldn't want to forfeit \$3." Prof. John T. Watkins, Scranton, presided over the annual week's vacation period by putting the pedagogues through a course of vocal sprouts.

SUPERINTENDENT KOEHLER, Through Whose Efforts a Very Successful Teachers' Institute is Being Held at Honesdale This Week.

sang "Jack and Jill Went up the Hill," etc., was enough to make the shingles fly.

The Rev. A. L. Whittaker, rector of Grace Protestant Episcopal church, Honesdale, conducted the devotional exercises, following which Prof. Mark Creasy, Hawley, and J. H. Kennedy, Pleasant Mount, were elected vice-presidents, and Prof. A. H. Howell, White Mills, and Mrs. Alma J. G. Dix, Honesdale, auditors of the convention.

Prof. Koehler stating the law specifies that the accounts of last year's institute shall be made public, Miss Vera Murray, treasurer of the association, reported as follows: Receipts: Cash on hand, \$205.15; enrollment fees, \$491; door receipts, \$284.10; song books, .60; commissioners' clerk, \$200; total \$1180.85; expenditures: day instructors, \$424.75; evening entertainments, \$275; board, \$31; printing, \$50.35; rent, \$140; juvenile orchestra, \$4; secretary, \$10; livery, \$1; pianist, \$5; song books, \$22; association, \$48.20; personal expenses, \$30.39; total, \$1041.69; cash balance, \$139.16; interest, \$4.17; total, \$1143.33.

"Wayne county for a number of years has had the best instructors on the market," declared Superintendent Koehler in his opening remarks. "We need your attendance," he continued by way of cautioning "just a few of the teachers who act a little wayward. We need your attention, and we need you here every day. We have to be very strict in the matter of attendance since the payment of teachers under the new school code has been increased to \$3 a day for attending institute.

MAYOR KUHBACK PASSES AWAY

Honesdale's Chief Executive Summoned Tuesday Morning.

CAREER OF PROMINENT CITIZEN AND POLITICIAN BROUGHT TO AN UNTIMELY END.

John Kuhbach, Mayor of Honesdale, died at his home, 901 Court street at 6:30 Tuesday morning, after an illness of about six weeks' duration. Mr. Kuhbach was taken with lagrippe about the first of October. He regained sufficiently to go out, but suffered a relapse and had since been confined to his bed and had gradually grown weaker until the end came Tuesday morning.

Mr. Kuhbach was born in Texas township September 12, 1865, and was therefore 46 years of age. He received his education in the township school and was graduated from the Honesdale High school in 1885 with great honor. He taught school at Leonardsville for two terms and was a director in his home township from 21 years of age until he moved into Honesdale. During his comparatively short life Mr. Kuhbach has been very active. He has held positions of trust and has rapidly climbed the ladder of success. He served as deputy postmaster for William H. Krantz, was bookkeeper for the Durland-Thompson Shoe Company, clerked two years in C. C. Jadin's pharmacy and was also a bookkeeper with the Delaware and Hudson Canal company.

In 1885 he registered with Hon. P. S. Smith as a law student, but did not devote his entire time to his studies until 1894. He was admitted to the Wayne County Bar Oct. 7, 1895. Since that time he has been manager of the Honesdale branch of the Central Pennsylvania Brewing company.

Mr. Kuhbach in his private and public life has endeared himself to every person with whom he came in contact. He was a man of broad, liberal views on all questions, in which the community were interested and never failed to take a deep interest in the welfare of the town and county. He was indefatigable in his exertions to make Honesdale greater and more progressive. He expended his money freely upon every occasion where any hope of realizing the interests of the town or the community in which he lived might be attained. While in the Pennsylvania Legislature, though one of the youngest members, his influence was felt in the making of the laws by which the people of this Commonwealth were to be governed and more particularly was his interest centered in laws affecting our own county. Mr. Kuhbach was democratic from principle and since he arrived at the age of manhood has always taken a deep interest in the political affairs of the community, though partisan to the extent of vigorously supporting his own party, so judiciously and diplomatically was this done that he never lost the good will of the opposite party, and whenever Mr. Kuhbach was a candidate for office, party lines seemed to be disregarded and only his personality considered. His disposition was always cheerful and apparently happy; under the most adverse circumstances, no person could ever detect any outward marks or any indication of displeasure; to his friends and those who knew him best he was most affable and congenial and no conditions could arise when his genial good nature was ever in any way changed or clouded. His education had been carefully attended to in early life; his store of knowledge which he garnered accumulated as years went on. As a speaker he was ready, forcible and clear; he had a grasp on all public questions far above the ordinary. His early death will be mourned by every person in this community and his bright, cheerful personality will be missed by all.

He was a chairman of the Democratic county committee for two years. In 1893 he was elected to the legislature and served one term. He also was prominently identified with a number of fraternal societies and was interested in home industries. He held membership in the following lodges: Knights Templar, Anthony Wayne Chapter Royal Arch Masons, Honesdale Lodge, No. 218, Free and Accepted Masons, Freedom Lodge of Odd Fellows, Fraternal Order of Eagles, Oslek Tribe of Red Men, Knights of the Heptasoph and a Graner. He was also affiliated with the Farmers and Mechanics Bank, being a director of same; was vice-president of the Wayne Cut Glass company, of Towanda, and also vice-president of the Scranton Fire Insurance company, of Scranton.

Mr. Kuhbach joined Company E, Thirteenth Regiment, N. G. P., in 1886 and in 1894 was promoted to battalion adjutant. He resigned that office to accept the second lieutenantancy of Company E. The deceased is survived by a wife, mother and one sister, Mrs. W. A. Sluman.

The funeral services will be held from his late home Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. W. H. Swift, D. D., officiating. The Knight Templars will have charge of the funeral with Masonic services at the grave. Interment in Glen Dyberry cemetery.

REPUBLICANS IN LEAD ONCE MORE

Many Counties Back Into the Fold Again

ROCKWELL IS BUMPED—HIS DISTRICT GOES REPUBLICAN; AINEY'S GREAT VICTORY.

The success of the Republicans in swinging back into the Republican column counties that went to Berry last fall, the defeat of the Democratic ticket in the county of James I. Blakslee, secretary of the reorganization end of the Democratic State committee, and the important position secured by the Socialists in several counties are features of the recent election.

The votes polled will probably aggregate more than in the gubernatorial election last year, in the opinion of many observers, although it will be a long time before this can be estimated. From all accounts the constitutional amendments have not been followed up very closely, and it will take the official tabulation at the Capitol to determine the matter. The swinging of Carbon county, a Democratic stronghold, into the Republican column is causing much comment. This county is in the district of Congressman A. Mitchell Palmer, another of whose counties, Northampton, also shows signs of disagreeing with its Democratic rulers. Carbon county did nothing last year. It just went Republican. In Berks, another Democratic citadel, the Republicans have won leading and made big gains, while the Socialists have cut a figure in city and county, having the balance of power in city councils and some petty offices.

In New Castle, a Socialist has been elected mayor, defeating Walter S. Reynolds, former member of the Legislature. Among the counties that showed they were strongly Republican again are Allegheny, which elected a whole Republican ticket and wiped out the Keystoneers; Montgomery, Blair, Cambria and Delaware with Bucks, which got away from the Democrats on county offices. Delaware was claimed for the Democrats by some of the reorganization Democrats who lined up with Berry on the judgeship. They got beaten about 4,000. Schuylkill is Republican, the losses of last fall having been wiped out, while in other counties where the Keystoneers promised to deliver many votes to the Democrats, they not only ingloriously failed, but had trouble to find themselves. Lancaster county is once more so heavily Republican that it would be hard to find Ben Davis, the reorganization Democrat.

In Lebanon county the Republicans swept everything before them, notwithstanding the visits of Berry and some other spellbinders. The overwhelming victory of W. D. B. Ainey, of Susquehanna, a friend of State Treasurer C. F. Wright, for Congress, has simply demonstrated the fact that the people of Susquehanna, Bradford, Wyoming and Wayne are Republicans when it comes down to a fight. Congressman Palmer made every effort to elect O. H. Rockwell, a Democratic-Keystoneer, in order to show the trend of affairs in Pennsylvania, and both he and Blakslee visited the county and forced their ideas on the Democrats. They imported Woodrow Wilson, Champ Clark and others and the result was that Ainey carried every county and had a majority of 3,300.

This is the worst blow that the reorganization end of the Democrats have had and shows plainly that the claims of strength, based on last fall's upheaval were vain indeed. Furthermore the Democrats of the Fourteenth district will not stand for dictation.—Harrisburg Telegraph.

DEPOSIT POSTOFFICE ROBBED.

The postoffice at Deposit, N. Y., was robbed last Thursday morning. The safe door was blown off and stamps and money to the value of \$85 was taken. No trace of the burglars can be found. The robbers gained entrance by taking off a metal shutter from a rear window and then prying the window open with an iron bar. They blew the safe open by the usual nitro-glycerine process—filling the crack around the door with soap and then pumping the explosive inside. One door of the safe, which is a large one, was blown half across the room, knocking over sorting racks and demolishing other furniture in its path. This is probably the same gang that visited Pleasant Mount a week or so ago.

Officers Sworn in Jan. 1, 1912.

The different candidates recently elected will take their respective oaths of office on Monday, January 1, 1912. They will appear before Register and Recorder E. W. Gammell, who according to law, will swear them in. After their bonds are approved by the court they, together with their oaths and commissions, will be placed on file in that office.

WYOMING CONFERENCE.

The annual conference of the Wyoming conference of the Methodist Episcopal church will be held in Scranton, April 10, next. Bishop Cranston will preside.