



UCIANI GETS HIS FREEDOM Merry Christmas in Store For His Family

DOMINICK SIGNS NOTE FOR \$100—HAPPY COUPLE LEAVE FOR THE ELECTRIC CITY—SOME-THING ABOUT ROAD JULY VIEW LAW.

The district attorney called the attention of the Court to the fact that the term of Dominick Luciani had expired and presented an application for his discharge under the insolvent law. The petition stated that on October 16, 1911, he was sentenced by the Court to pay a fine of \$100 and the costs of prosecution and to undergo imprisonment in the county jail for a term of three months, to be computed from Sept. 1, 1911. That the term of his imprisonment has expired but that he is unable to pay the fine and costs of prosecution for the reason that he has no money or other property which he can apply to the payment of the same. That he has a property except some household goods that are with his wife in Lackawanna county. That the value of the same would not exceed \$50.

The Court ordered that the Commissioners of Wayne county be permitted to discharge Dominick Luciani without the payment of costs or fine if in their opinion they deem it proper and on such terms as they may direct.

Luciani, it will be remembered, pleaded guilty to the indictment of selling liquor without a license at Foudsboro, Lehigh township.

Luciani was brought into Court by Deputy Sheriff F. H. Crago. He was followed several minutes later by his wife, who took a seat directly back of him in the grand jury box.

It was a happy couple that left the court room, and proceeded to the Commissioners' office where Luciani offered to sign a note to pay the fine. He signed a note for \$100.

"I have two children sick," Mrs. Luciani, who had come on from Scranton to welcome her husband, told a Citizen man. "He belongs to me more now than he does to you," she said, turning gleefully to Sheriff M. Lee Braman. It was pathetic to hear her tell of the little children she left behind her in Scranton who kept saying over and over again, yesterday: "Papa is coming to-morrow. 'm so happy!"

Luciani told the newspapermen that he was going to come back to Wayne county to pick berries next summer. "I pick 2,000 quarts in Wayne county last year," he declared.

It was a joyful couple that left Honesdale Monday afternoon for the Electric City. The Lucianis will spend the happiest Christmas of their lives on December twenty-fifth, nineteen hundred and eleven, for "Papa is home again," and the family circle is complete.

The December session of argument court held Monday, Judge Alonzo T. Searle presiding, was featured by the appointment of Hon. Charles A. McCarty, to fill the vacancy in the office of Burgess of Honesdale. The release of two prisoners from the county jail was ordered by the Court, and one old offender was sentenced to spend six months in the county bastle. Several guardians were appointed, and a number of other important decrees handed down.

Judge Searle requested all the lawyers to examine the Act of 1911 on the question of appointing a Board of County Road Viewers. "I find the practice in Susquehanna county," he said, "somewhat different. Judge Little called all the lawyers together, and they determined not to act under the 1911 law but under the old act."

"Judge Staples hasn't appointed such a Board. We'll not make any appointment of such a Board Viewers until the second Monday in January."

In the opinion of Judge Searle the carrying out of the provisions of the act involves a great expense to the county.

District Attorney M. E. Simons called the attention of the Court to the remission of some of the justices in returning transcripts to Court.

"The procedure of a good many justices," he said, "is to retain the transcripts until just the day before the grand jury meets, and then hustle them in."

Judge Searle thought too that the transcripts should be returned "forthwith," as the Law provides.

SUDDEN DEATH OF MRS. CARR.

Mrs. R. W. Carr, wife of Randall Willmot Carr, died suddenly Friday morning at her home in Prompton. Mrs. Carr was about her household duties as usual when she dropped to the floor and expired.

Mrs. Carr was born in Uniondale, Susquehanna county, August 13, 1833, and was a daughter of Arba and Sallie (Curtis) Rounds, natives of Rhode Island and Connecticut, respectively, who afterwards settled in Susquehanna. Mrs. Carr was married to Randall Willmot Carr in Honesdale on March 5, 1857. Besides her husband, one son, Horace Carr, of Dunmore, and one daughter, Mrs. Florence Moore, of Prompton, survive. The funeral was held on Monday and interment was made in the Prompton cemetery.

"MAYOR McCARTY, OF HONESDALE" High Honor Conferred on City Solicitor

WELL-KNOWN COUNTY SEAT LAWYER APPOINTED BY THE COURT, MONDAY, TO SUCCEED MAYOR KUBBACH—BRIEF SKETCH OF HIS SUCCESSFUL CAREER.

"I am pleased to appoint Mr. McCarty, and know he will reflect honor on the borough."

So said Judge Alonzo T. Searle, Monday morning following the presentation, in argument court, by Homer Greene, Esq., of a petition from the Town Council, praying that the Hon. Charles A. McCarty be appointed Burgess of the borough of Honesdale to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Hon. John Kubbach.

In presenting the petition to the Court, Mr. Greene said: "Mr. McCarty has been solicitor of the borough for many years. He has been in the extreme confidence of the people of Honesdale. It would be impossible to select a better man."



MAYOR C. A. McCARTY.

The petition of the Town Council is as follows: To the Hon. Alonzo T. Searle, Judge of the Court of Quarter Sessions of the Peace of Wayne County:

Your petitioners, the Town Council of the Borough of Honesdale, respectfully represent: That by the death of Hon. John Kubbach, the duly-elected and qualified Burgess of the Borough of Honesdale, a vacancy now exists in that office; your petitioners therefore most respectfully ask that your Honor appoint to fill the said vacancy, Charles A. McCarty, whom they represent as a person well qualified to perform the duties of the said office, and they will ever pray, etc.

MARTIN CAUFIELD, Pres. F. R. MURRAY, S. T. HAM, GEO. PENWARDEN, Treas. WYMAN W. KIMBLE, Sec. G. M. GENUNG.

Sketch of Mr. McCarty's Career.

Mayor Charles A. McCarty was born in Canaan, Wayne county, where he attended the township schools, afterwards the Wayne County Normal at Prompton and Wyoming Seminary at Kingston. After completing his scholastic course he taught school three years. He, however, registered as a law student in the office of Waller & Bentley. Mr. McCarty was admitted to the Wayne county bar in 1883. He opened a law office in Honesdale and at once entered upon the enjoyment of a large and varied practice and has always been regarded as one of the foremost lawyers of Wayne county.

His practice has long since extended beyond the borders of dear old Wayne as well as in the United States district and Circuit courts. He has served one term as member of the legislature, three years as district attorney, three years as county solicitor, besides being president of the town council of Honesdale for two years, and is now solicitor for the same; has served as solicitor for the poor board; has served as chairman of the Democratic county committee for ten consecutive years. As a public speaker Mr. McCarty is fluent, forcible and convincing, consequently is the proper person for Mayor, being able to speak for the town and in its interest on any occasion.

INTERESTING PROGRAM.

Members of the senior class will render the following program in the High school auditorium on Friday afternoon, December 15: "Progress of Locomotion in America," Maude Smith. "The Invention of the Detachable Collar," Mary Bracey. "A Cruise on the Pacific," Thomas Kilroe. "The Chambered Nautilus"—Oliver Wendell Holmes—Clara Reif. "A Visit to Watkin's Glen," Eva Burkhardt. "The Indian in Wayne County," Conrad Dirlam. "The First Americans," Mary Lenth. "Pageantry in America," Marguerite Moran. "The Boy Scouts," Mortimer Stocker.

HARTMAN GETS A XMAS PRESENT Judge Searle Reduces His Sentence

MAN OF MYSTERY RELEASED FROM JAIL—HEALTH POOR—DECLARES THAT HE WILL LEAD A BETTER LIFE IN THE FUTURE.

"It's getting toward Christmas time. Your health is not apt to be improved by being in the county jail. I can not see that the ends of justice will be subserved by keeping you in jail any longer, and trust you may have no more trouble with the Law."

It was a model prisoner to whom Judge Alonzo T. Searle gave a Christmas present, Monday, in the shape of a release from the County Jail, three weeks before his term had expired.

Morris F. Hartman was the name of this model prisoner, and the offense for which he was arrested and to which he pleaded guilty was committed early last summer at Ariel, when he had the freight agent cash a forged check on Goldsmith Bros., Scranton, for \$25.

He was sentenced Monday, Sept. 11, to spend six months in the county jail, the same to be computed from July 1, and to pay the costs of prosecution, a fine of \$10, and restore the money.

Hartman impressed the Court and every one who saw him as being an offender out of the ordinary run. When he pleaded dissipation as an excuse for his actions, and refused to reveal the name of his father who is a well-to-do New Yorker, choosing jail rather than disgrace the memory of his father, the Judge believed his story, and made his sentence as light as possible.

Close confinement has been too much for Hartman, and he was permitted larger liberty than is usually accorded prisoners.

District Attorney Simons agreed most heartily to recommending his discharge at this time. "I think," he said, "he has been a model prisoner. His health is very poor. I think the ends of justice will be maintained by discharging him at this time."

"How about the costs?" asked the Court. "I'll give a note and pay the fine and costs in 60 days," answered the prisoner, who was much mortified at being brought into court in his working clothes. Collarless as he was, wearing a gray sweater as he did, and with several days' growth of beard on his face, Hartman looked the gentleman he professes to be.

Certain preliminaries had to be arranged, and Hartman was taken back to jail. When he was brought back to Court in the afternoon Mr. Simons said he had authorized the Commissioners to discharge him, and Judge Searle amended the sentence so that it terminated Monday, and discharged the prisoner. Later Hartman signed a note for \$37.37.

When seen by a Citizen man Hartman said, speaking of his discharge: "It came too suddenly for me. I didn't expect to get out until January 1. I have several clerical positions in view here. I have been keeping books and doing clerical work for the Sheriff for the past two or three months. I am lucky. I am a bookkeeper. My age is 33. Oh I was a pretty good case. I was sick and despondent when I was down at Lake Ariel. I never got in wrong before. I'll never get it in again. It's enough for me."

SPANGENBERG IS INSANE

Hollisterville Man To Be Sent To Danville Asylum.

Frank Spangenberg, single, aged 40, of Hollisterville, was brought to the county seat, Monday afternoon, by Squire E. B. Hollister and Constable A. B. Walker, and committed to the county jail charged with making threats.

Spangenberg, whose home is in Hollisterville, went to Elmira, N. Y., last July where he secured employment in an Elevator Factory. One day while at work there, a rope broke, and he was thrown to the ground, striking on his head. For three days he lay senseless in the city hospital.

About a month ago he returned to his old home. About a week ago, it is said, that he began acting queerly. He was brought before Squire Hollister who committed him on the charge of making threats.

Spangenberg raised "rough house" in the jail, Monday night, breaking in the chairs in his cell. Sheriff Braman had to down him and handcuff him. The court appointed a lunacy commission consisting of Homer Greene, Esq., Fred I. Keene, and Dr. W. T. McConville who inquired into the prisoners mental condition Tuesday morning. They adjudged him insane and directed that he be sent to Danville.

Death of E. K. Curtis.

Eugene K. Curtis died at his home in Aldenville, Sunday morning, Dec. 10, at 6 o'clock. The funeral services will be held from his late residence on Wednesday at 10 a. m. and from the Aldenville Baptist church at 11 o'clock. A more extended notice will appear in our next issue.

MAYOR IMPOSES LIGHT SENTENCE Bennett Gets Off With \$5 Fine.

BURGESS McCARTY TREATS FIRST PRISONER LENIENTLY—BELIEVES "SEVERE PENALTIES NOT ALWAYS CONDUCIVE TO REFORM."

"Now, Mr. Bennett, this is the first case that has come before the present Burgess, otherwise we might be inclined to be more severe. I believe severe penalties are not always conducive to the best and surtest methods of reform, so I am inclined to be very lenient with you this time. We think, however, better results might be secured by small punishments. I could send you over for 30 days. Clark said you were a pretty good fellow. The sentence is that you be confined in the county jail for five days to be computed from this day. We'll give you an option of paying a fine of \$5."

It was a youthful offender that faced Mayor Chas. A. McCarty Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock, one John Bennett by name, 26 years of age, who came to Honesdale from Hawley four weeks ago and secured employment in T. B. Clark's Cutting Shop.

Since it was the Mayor's first case, and the culprit's first offense, the chief executive of the county seat was inclined to be lenient with him.

T. D. O'Connell said he would go the young man's security, so Chief of Police J. J. Canivan took young Bennett down to his place of business where Mr. O'Connell obligingly gave him \$5, in exchange for an order on his employer for \$5.

Chief of Police Canivan testified at the hearing that he arrested Bennett on Main street, between 8th and 9th streets Saturday night, about 11:30 o'clock, for using profane language, and offering to lick everybody in sight.

Bennett admitted that he was "a little intoxicated, Saturday night, but didn't remember what he was doing." His parents he said, were dead.

Mr. Canivan said that he had had trouble with Bennett before he took him in this time for being drunk and disorderly and for using profane language on the streets.

His release happily effected, young Bennett, declaring that he had never been in jail before, and vowing that he would never go there again, walked off puffing away at a cigarette for dear life.

Bennett spent the week-end and Sunday with Sheriff M. Lee Braman, who told a Citizen man:

"We'll have to enlarge the jail. There's too much Saturday night business!"

DIED IN BINGHAMTON.

Gilbert Spencer, who for years resided across the river in Northern Wayne county, Pa., and was a familiar figure on the streets of Hancock, died at 7 p. m. Wednesday, Nov. 29, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Angie Stiner, No. 28 Ogden street, Binghamton. Mr. Spencer was 78 years of age and death terminated an illness of several days. He is survived by three sons and three daughters. They are David Spencer, Hancock; Ernest, of Danville, Pa., and Ira of Binghamton, and Mrs. E. W. Starbird, Mrs. Anna Dow and Mrs. Angie Stiner of Binghamton. The funeral was held Saturday forenoon at 11:30 at the home of Mrs. Stiner, and body brought to Hancock for burial in Riverview cemetery.—Hancock Herald. Mr. Spencer was a resident of Scott township, when he enlisted in Company F, 144th New York Volunteers, better known as the "Ellsworth Avengers." He was mustered out after three years' service.

NEW ENGLAND DINNER.

Congressman Ainey Will Attend Banquet in Scranton.

[Special to The Citizen.] Washington, Dec. 11.—The New England society of Northeastern Pennsylvania will celebrate its twenty-fifth annual festival at the Hotel Jermyn, Scranton, December 22, 1911.

Senator John Sharp Williams, of Mississippi; Judge Harris, representing the Plymouth District in Congress, will be among the speakers; Congressman Palmer, McHenry, Farr and Ainey will be present.

Through Congressman Ainey an effort to secure the British Ambassador, Hon. James Bryce, was made. Mr. Ainey received a letter from Ambassador Bryce this morning regretting that engagements already made would prevent his accepting the invitation.

NEW HONESDALE INDUSTRY.

The Crystal Cut Glass company, a corporation with a capital stock of \$20,000, full-paid and non-assessible, recently organized for the manufacture of cut glass by the election of Dr. P. B. Peterson, president; B. W. Strongman, secretary, and George Hessler, treasurer, will make application for a charter to Governor John K. Tener, January 5. Operations will be commenced, shortly, in the Farnham building.

The Rink Five has a very hard schedule ahead of them and it looks as though they would have a harder row to hoe in future games than they have had in the past.

BURGLAR STIRS UP BLANDIN TOWN Stranger Ransacks Two Houses

COUNTY AUTHORITIES INVESTIGATING—\$10 IN CASH TAKEN—JEWELRY LEFT UNDISTURBED.

The quietude of Blandin was disturbed last Friday afternoon when a stranger entered the homes of Edward Welch and Peter Kohmus on Maple avenue. The dwellings of these parties were locked, Mrs. Welch and Mrs. Kohmus being in attendance at the Seelyville school Christmas exercises.

Between 3 and 4 o'clock Frank, son of Mr. and Mrs. Welch, who had also been out of the house, entered the front door. After being inside a short time he heard a noise upstairs like some one were walking about the room. He called, "Mother," but received no reply and then started up the flight of stairs. When he reached the top he turned to the left and entered his mother's room. Here he was met by a man who pointed a revolver at him, the boy says. He kept him backing up until he was against the wall. Here Frank claims they clinched. In the tussle a table at the head of the stairs was overturned and a vase broken. He says the burglar struck him along the side of the nose and that at the same instant he fell backwards down the stairs. Here he remained sometime, being rendered unconscious. Afterwards he made a desperate effort to find his assailant but he had left the house. He then started an investigation.

Things in his mother's bedroom were disarranged, bureau drawers being pulled out and the contents left in a turmoil. Ten dollars, which had been in a bankbook in a satchel underneath the bed was missing. Jewelry and other valuables were undisturbed.

A bullet from a 22-calibre was picked off the floor. It had been shot in a line with the boy's head and it is claimed to have been shot by the burglar.

Frank went to the Honesdale Decorating establishment, where his father was employed, told his story and the father returned with his son. A little later Mesdames Welch and Kohmus returned from the exercises at the school house and the story was told again. Frank described the man as being of medium height, wore a long light-colored rain coat and a black derby hat.

The burglar entered the house through the back door by means of a key. Before he went in the Welch house he had visited Peter Kohmus' home. A neighbor saw a man enter the Kohmus dwelling, but supposed it was Mr. Kohmus.

Under the direction of District Attorney M. E. Simons, Detective N. B. Spencer was employed to investigate the case.

When Mrs. Peter Kohmus returned she found the back door of the kitchen unlocked, but nothing was missing in the house, although there was a sideboard with much silverware on the first floor, and on the second floor some jewelry was left on the dressers, which was also undisturbed.

WILL OF J. G. REIFLER.

The will of the late John G. Reifler was filed for probate on Monday. It was drawn up in March last, Mrs. Emma E. Taylor, a sister of the deceased, and Mrs. F. W. Powell being witnesses. After all debts are paid Mr. Reifler bequeaths to each of his five children, Florence, Dorothy, Delcye, Robert and Edward H. Reifler, one share of the stock in the Honesdale Dime Bank; unto his wife, Frances E. Reifler, all household goods, furniture and one-third part of all of the rest and residue of personal estate; also the use of one-third of all real estate of the deceased husband. All the rest of and remainder of estate is bequeathed to his six children, share and share alike.

The deceased's stock in the corporation known as Reifler & Sons shall not be sold or converted but shall remain intact, the income only to be collected and used until the deceased's youngest child has reached his majority.

Mrs. Frances E. Reifler, J. Adam Kraft and M. E. Simons were named executors of the will.

A short time before his death Mr. Reifler, a codicil was drawn up authorizing his executors to sell his stock in the corporation known as Reifler & Sons at any time they may deem it best.

FEDERAL ATTORNEY DECLARES GOMPERS "UNSAFE LEADER."

Indianapolis, Dec. 5.—"An earnest effort will be made by the government to bring to justice every man who was involved in the most damnable conspiracy ever entered into in this country," said United States District Attorney Charles W. Miller today in discussing the federal jury's investigation of dynamiting operations of the McNamara brothers and others alleged to have been associated with them.

Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, was characterized as an "unsafe leader" by Mr. Miller, who said it was time for labor leaders "who stand on honest ground" to take charge of labor organizations.

A. F. SCHIMMELL IS IN JAIL AGAIN He'll Stay There 6 Months This Time

BROKE HIS PAROLE OF THREE YEARS' STANDING—COURT DETERMINES TO MAKE PAROLED PRISONERS KEEP THEIR OBLIGATIONS.

"Now A. F. Schimmell is in jail again," District Attorney M. E. Simons informed Judge A. T. Searle at argument court, Monday morning.

"What's he been doing," asked the Judge.

"It's been reported to me he was up to his home drunk and disorderly," answered Mr. Simons. "I thought perhaps it would be a good time to bring him into court and sentence him on the charge he's been paroled so often."

The Court thought so too, and forthwith ordered Deputy Sheriff F. H. Crago to bring him into court for sentence. "If they are put on parole," remarked the Judge, "they must understand it means something."

District Attorney Simons stated further that Schimmell had been paroled December 12, 1910, in the care of Sheriff M. Lee Braman and Prof. H. A. Oday, as probation officers. The conditions were that he was to abstain from the use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage, to behave himself before his family, and report to the probation officers the first Monday of each month.

"Now, Mr. Schimmell," said the Court addressing the prisoner, "I understand you were intoxicated last night and acting badly. You were paroled. We want those on parole to understand it means something. We're going to get rid of this matter once for all."

"How did you find him, Sheriff?" asked the Court.

"Well," answered Sheriff Braman, "I found him under the influence of liquor quite bad. He had a bottle in his possession. He was in his own house. Oday and I went over after him."

"I got it Saturday night, a half pint," spoke up Schimmell.

"Where did you get your whiskey?" inquired the district attorney.

"I got it Saturday night," answered the prisoner, "at Paul Fives'. I was sick in bed all day."

"Mr. Schimmell," said the Court, "we shall send you to the county jail so that this matter may be settled up. You came before Judge Purdy and he paroled you, and we did likewise. At each time it was stipulated that you should refrain from intoxicating liquor. Now the sentence is that you pay the costs of prosecution; a fine of \$5; and be committed to the county jail for six months, from this date."

Schimmell walked out of the court room with Deputy Sheriff F. H. Crago as unconcerned as he had entered it.

CONSTABLES' BONDS APPROVED

Bonds of the constables from all the districts in Wayne county except Waymart, were approved by the Court Monday, and filed.

The terms of the constables-elect will begin on the first Monday of January next. Following is a list of the new officers:

- Townships.
 - Berlin—Alexander Crosby.
 - Bethany—B. F. Blake.
 - Buckingham—John T. Muranie.
 - Canaan—Fred W. Short.
 - Cherry Ridge—G. W. Collins.
 - Clinton—I. W. Cowperthwaite.
 - Dreher—F. E. Rohrbacher.
 - Derryberry—J. J. Hauser.
 - Lake—Walter Swingle.
 - Lebanon—C. D. Henderson.
 - Lehigh—M. M. Cobb.
 - Manchester—James W. Harford.
 - Mt. Pleasant—R. W. Mills.
 - Oregon—Henry Knorr.
 - Palmira—Anthony W. Schlosser.
 - Faupack—Aaron Goble.
 - Preston—J. L. Sherwood.
 - Salem—A. B. Walker.
 - Scott No. 1—Horace C. Greer.
 - Scott No. 2—Horace C. Greer.
 - South Canaan—A. J. Robinson.
 - Stirling—S. B. Cary.
 - Texas—Phillip F. Mang.
- Boroughs.
 - Hawley—E. J. Richardson.
 - Honesdale—Levi Degroat.
 - Prompton—Ralph Hankins.
 - Staryucca—Andrew Glover.
 - Waymart—Leroy H. Slinguet.

FULLY ENFORCE BANK ACT.

Harrisburg, Pa.—Private bankers, especially foreigners, who resist the enforcement of the act of 1911 closing all private banks, except those in one location more than seven years, under supervision of the Commonwealth, will find that they will have two or three departments of the State Government to contend against. The Attorney General's department has extended its help to the Banking Commissioner in his enforcement of the act.

Some of the foreigners in Philadelphia who applied for license as insurance agents and gave private banker as an occupation as well have been held up by the Insurance Department until they registered with the Banking Department. Steamship companies are having agents separate themselves from private banks and are bonding their men.