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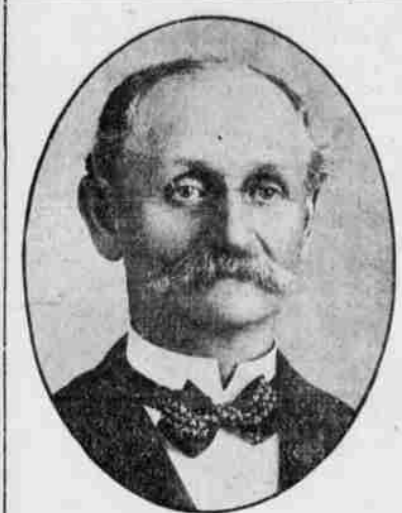
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50TH ANNIVERSARY JOYOUSLY OBSERVED

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Penwarden Receive Guests at Their East Street Home Christmas Day-- One Witness of Wedding was Present.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Penwarden, of East street, joyously observed the fiftieth anniversary of their happy marriage on Christmas, their wedding day, however, occurring on Sunday previous.

The bride and bridegroom of 50 years ago were the recipients of many handsome gifts, an evidence of high regard in which they are held by their many friends.



R. J. PENWARDEN.



MRS. R. J. PENWARDEN.

meant much for the community and who have the good will and best wishes of hundreds who were unable to tell them so upon their golden wedding.

It was a very informal affair. Mr. and Mrs. Penwarden not wishing to slight anyone by omitting to invite them had no personal invitations issued, but told their friends, who in turn invited others.

A pleasing feature of the event was the presence of Mrs. C. K. Schoonover, who 50 years ago was maid of honor for Mrs. Penwarden. The other surviving witness is George Chubb, of Pittsfield, Mass. Mr. Chubb was unable to be present at the anniversary. Other particu-

lars of the wedding were printed in detail in the last issue of The Citizen.

Congratulatory letters and telegrams were received from out-of-town friends.

Those in attendance from a distance were: Mr. and Mrs. Thomas MacDonald, Philadelphia. Harry Jones and sisters, of Wilkes-Barre. Mr. and Mrs. William J. Schoonover, of Scranton. Mr. and Mrs. Maurice T. Church, of Williamsport. Mrs. Gertrude Aunger, Carbondale. Before departing the guests were served with ice cream and cake.

STEFEN SPENDS A DAY IN JAIL

Will Never Refuse to Pay Taxes Again

DAMASCUS LABORER LEARNS "LIFE, LIBERTY AND THE PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS" ARE DEPENDENT UPON PAYING A SHARE OF COST OF CARRYING ON GOVERNMENT.

Charles Stefen, laborer, of Damascus township, learned to his sorrow that every citizen of these United States is entitled to "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness," but only upon condition that he pay his share of the cost of the administration of a paternal government.

Careless Charles went to school one day at Sheriff Braman's University for The Reclamation of the Erring. He graduated from this modern institution of learning in less than twenty-four hours, and was awarded his diploma upon the payment of Ten Dollars and twenty-five cents. It was cheap tuition.

Here is the story in a nutshell, and adorned with legal verbiage as well:

"To M. Lee Braman, Sheriff of Wayne County: By virtue of a warrant given to me, Chas. E. Boyd, Collector of taxes in Damascus township, Wayne county, Pennsylvania, for the year 1909, issued by the Commissioners of the County of Wayne, and the School Directors of Damascus township, I did take the body of Chas. Stefen, he after proper demand refused to pay his taxes assessed to him in Damascus township on the duplicate as follows:

County tax (14) fourteen cents; State tax four and 80-100 dollars, School Tax, one and 17-100 dollars, making six and 11-100 dollars, 5 per cent, added thirty cents, making a total of six and 41-100 Dollars. The said Chas. Stefen having no goods and chattels sufficient to satisfy said taxes within the district of Damascus, I therefore by virtue of warrants aforesaid took the body of Chas. Stefen and conveyed him to the jail of Wayne county, there to remain until the amount of said tax, six and 41-100 dollars, together, shall be paid or secured to be paid, or until he shall be otherwise discharged by due course of law.

In Witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 26th day of Dec. 1911. Damascus. CHAS. E. BOYD, \$10.25 paid Collector of Taxes in Damascus twp.

Ah me! There are only two sure things in this life after all, and one is Death and the other is Taxes!

COUNTY OFFICIALS BEING SWORN IN

Register and Recorder Gammell Officiates.

SEEMS TO ENJOY THE JOB, TOO PROTHONOTARY E. W. GAMMELL BARNES TAKES THE OATH OF OFFICE, WITHOUT ANY MENTAL RESERVATIONS.

Register and Recorder E. W. Gammell is a very popular man with the politicians, nowadays. He is doing a land-office business in the way of swearing in the county officials-elect.

Wednesday morning a Citizen man happened being present when Prothonotary-elect Wallace J. Barnes, Beachlake, took the oath of office.

In deep stentorian tones Recorder Gammell lined out the oath of office, rubricating it as he went along. When he came to the statement, "that I have not paid or contributed, either directly or indirectly, any money or other valuable thing to procure my nomination or election," he paused long enough to say: "Pay special attention to that!" Mr. Barnes stood at attention!

Following the reading of the prescribed form, Mr. Barnes said "I think I can certify to that without any correction," and suiting the action to the word, wrote his name on the proper line.

"I shall have the honor," continued Recorder Gammell, "of presenting to you in the name and by the authority of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, John K. Tener, Governor, this beautiful engraving.

Mr. Barnes thanked Mr. Gammell for the handsomely-engraved certificate, and asked:

"Now, what's the bill?" "Nothing," smilingly answered Mr. Gammell, upturning the inevitable cigar to an angle of sixty degrees.

"What do I do with this?" queried Mr. Barnes, rolling up the precious bit of parchment with care. "That's yours to keep," responded Mr. Gammell. "That's your commission. You want to get framed."

"Well, I'm much obliged," concluded Mr. Barnes as he left the room wearing a broad smile on his face.

Register and Recorder Gammell has sworn in the Judge, and one auditor, W. O. Avery. He will swear in later the Sheriff, Coroner and Register and Recorder.

Greene Would Do. It has been suggested that Hon. Homer Greene, of Wayne county, be chosen one of the Congressmen-at-Large from Pennsylvania. While the Record would like to have a Democrat fill this office, still this is out of the question and there is no one in mind at this time it would rather see honored in this manner than Mr. Greene. He has every qualification and would bring honor to the Keystone State.—Monroe Record.

OVERCOME BY GAS. Miss Nella G. Kimble, of Dyberry Place, and cousin, Miss Amelia Kimble of Alma, were both overcome by gas last Monday night. The young ladies room together. Tuesday morning Miss Almira arose, staggered and fell to the floor. Miss Nella heard her cousin fall and started towards her. Before taking many steps she too fell beside her cousin. Dr. H. B. Ely was called. The young ladies were quite ill, but have recovered.

The National Conventions. Both the Republican and Democratic national conventions will be held in Chicago. The Republicans will meet there in June and the Democrats in July.

twelve, if he shall so long behave himself well.

Given under my hand and the City of Harrisburg, this 22nd day of December, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, and of the Commonwealth, the one hundred and 36th.

JOHN K. TENER. [SEAL] By the Governor, Robert McAfee, Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Judge Searle's Third Commission. This is the third commission Judge Searle has received from the Executive Department of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Commissioned originally by Governor Edwin S. Stuart to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Judge George S. Pugh, he was recommissioned for the year 1911 to serve until January 1, 1912. Judge Searle's second commission for the office he now holds by appointment, was accompanied by a letter from the Secretary of the Commonwealth citing the decision of the Attorney General to the effect "that all Judges in commission at the time of the adoption of the constitutional amendments and of the schedule, whose terms may end in the year 1911, are entitled, without being recommissioned to continue to hold the said offices until the first Monday of January, 1912. The Attorney General, in consideration of the importance of the judicial office, suggests such judges be commissioned."

Fred List, of Binghamton, was home for Christmas.

CELEBRATE THE GOLDEN WEDDING

Rev. and Mrs. John B. Sumner Observe Passing of Fiftieth Milestone at Their Binghamton Home--Former Honesdalers.

A notable event Monday was the celebration of the golden wedding anniversary of Rev. and Mrs. John B. Sumner at No. 135 West End avenue, says the Binghamton Republican.

The entire family with the exception of the youngest daughter, Mrs. C. E. Beach, whose illness detained her at home, was present at the family dinner served at noonday. The guests numbered 36 and were

phant, Pa., and Mrs. William Pearson and son Will of Scranton, Pa. Hon. A. B. Sumner of Wyalusing, Pa., a brother, and Rev. B. L. Lyon of Binghamton, a nephew of Rev. J. B. Sumner, together with Mrs. Lyon, were members of the party.

The after dinner speeches were by the five sons-in-law and Hon. A. B. Sumner, Rev. Alexander D. Decker, the pastor of the Taylor Methodist Episcopal church, acting as toastmaster. After this enjoyable



REV. J. B. SUMNER.



MRS. J. B. SUMNER.

seated at three beautifully adorned tables. Large bunches of yellow chrysanthemums and greenery centered the table and a color scheme of yellow and white was carried out in the decorations. Crystal baskets of salted nuts were placed at each plate as favors and for Mr. and Mrs. Sumner the favors were large crystal baskets tied with yellow ribbons. Besides the tor list Mrs. Tolley read a poem, "The Golden Wedding," composed by Mrs. Harriet M. Ely. The bride of 50 years ago wore a beautiful gown of black mesaline embroidered in royal purple.

During the 50 years of their married life, there has been no break in the family circle excepting the sad accident at Cloverville last summer causing the death of the young son of Mr. and Mrs. Willey.

The members of the family present were Rev. A. D. Decker and wife, Ida Sumner Decker and children, George, Natalie, Mabel and Alma of Taylor; Thomas A. Crossley and wife, Blanche Sumner Crossley and children, Sumner, James, Mary and Margaret, of Honesdale, Pa.; A. C. Tolley and wife, Grace Sumner Tolley and children, Harold, Earl, Pearson and Marjorie; C. A. Willey and wife, Anna Sumner Willey and children, Albert and Horace; C. E. Beach and children, Elizabeth, Margaret and Virginia, all of Binghamton. Two sisters of Mrs. Sumner were present, Mrs. Van Sickle of Oly-

affair the party adjourned to the Boulevard Methodist Episcopal church where an informal reception was held between the hours of 3 and 5 o'clock. About 200 guests paid their respects with congratulations to the worthy couple, who were stationed within the altar rail. Light refreshments were served.

Mr. Sumner was requested to sing his popular composition, "The Child of the King," which he did with a voice wonderful in quality, accompanied by Mrs. Sumner. The gifts in money from the family and friends totaled \$200. Many remembrances came from friends who were unable to be present.

The sentiments of all who have come in touch with the lives of Mr. and Mrs. Sumner are that rarely have lived beautiful lives, constantly radiating love and charity and leading souls into the knowledge of Him who was born in Bethlehem upon whose anniversary natal day they were married fifty years ago. During his 42 years in the ministry Mr. Sumner has preached 4,000 sermons and officiated at numberless weddings. Twenty-five years of his work has been in and about Binghamton. His family of daughters are rarely gifted musicians, Mrs. Willey, Mrs. Tolley, and Mrs. Beach each occupying positions as soloists in various of the city churches.

sweet relief, is afforded in a legal way from the galling yoke of matrimony. Marriage is not a matter of money. The possession of it, or the lack of it, does not fill the cup to overflowing. But the absence of tact and toleration will pull down the strongest house that the most binding civil or religious ceremony can establish.

Here is the divorce tale of the months:

Table with 2 columns: Month and Number of Divorces. February 1, March 1, April 3, June 2, July 1, September 3, October 1, November 7. Total for 1911 19.

"THE COUNTY SHERIFF." No author of recent years has written more successful plays than has Lem B. Parker, the author of the new "County Sheriff." As usual, he has combined the many sparkling dramatic scenes with plenty of good, clean, witty comedy, the kind that all enjoy. Among some of his most successful plays may be "The Phantom Detective," "Dora Thorne" and a score of others, but in not one of these he has so happily blended the many intense dramatic and amusing situations together with the story of human interest as in this latest play, "The County Sheriff," which will be presented at the Lyric on New Year's afternoon at 2:30 and evening at 8:15.

MULLANEY DISCHARGED. Wife Deserter Released From Jail And Proceedings Discontinued. After spending five days in jail, Francis Mullaney, charged on the oath of Bertha Mullaney with desertion, was released Wednesday, Dec. 27, on condition that he pay the costs of the proceedings, and take care of the child. Attorney P. H. Hoff appeared for the defendant, and District Attorney M. E. Simons, represented the Commonwealth. It will be remembered that Bertha Mullaney was recently adjudged insane by a commission in lunacy, and sent to the State Asylum in Danville.

COUNTY OFFICIALS PASSING OUT

January 1, 1912, Will Mark Court House Changes

SOME OF THEM WILL GO INTO BUSINESS--ONE INTENDS TO BECOME A LAWYER--DEPARTURE OF DYED-IN-THE-WOOL POLITICIANS.

The court house corridors will soon be re-echoing with the sound of new footsteps. But a few days remain before the incoming of the newly-elected county officers, and the passing out of those who have sat at the receipt of custom, for 10, these many years.

Prothonotary M. J. Hanlan's smiling face will be missed in the office of the Clerk of the Orphans' Court. For nine long years he has greeted and sped the hopeful young couples who made the matrimonial leap, some to their sorrow, more to their joy. Mr. Hanlan always has had a bent for the law, and he is going to serve that hard Master when once his duties as a public servant are over.

Then there's Sheriff M. Lee Braman. Braman knows the points of a good horse about as well as any one in the shire. Catch him between cases, and he'll tell you all about a horse. Sheriff Braman always took a lively interest in his boarders. And, it is worth noting, that all the prisoners have a good word for Braman. If you want to talk horse, swap horse, buy horse, well Braman will be only too glad to visit with you after January 1, 1912.

County Treasurer Fred Saunders follows in the wake of the departing office-holders. Mr. Saunders handed out money with as good grace as any one parts with such a useful medium of exchange. Yes, Mr. Saunders knows a whole lot about hides and leather. And, Constant Reader, he buys them too. Ask him about the prices.

Register and Recorder E. W. Gammell's smiling face will be missed. Mr. Gammell is the original Wayne County Fair man. Who the aboriginal Fair man was, deponent sayeth not. Gammell knows the trotting record of William Jennings Bryan, John Temple Graves et al. He's going into the "gasoline buggy" business after the first of the year. If you have "trouble" or want to buy a \$5,000 40-horse power load of it, see Gammell. Gammell is a dyed-in-the-wool Democrat. Just to show his colors he'll sell you a "Jackson" or any "16 to 1" car.

County Commissioner George P. Ross retires after a long time spent in the service of the public. Mr. Ross has proven himself a willing, able and industrious public official. It is a feat to suit everybody, but

when it comes to "fit feet" well, Mr. Ross knows all about the "Hussac" shoe. And it's made in Honesdale, besides.

The Citizen speeds the parting politicians, wishes them all sorts of good luck, and a Happy New Year besides!

"DE GANG" CELEBRATES. Enjoys Annual Feed, Tuesday Night, At Harland Histed's.

Sixteen members of "De Gang," one of the County Seat's prominent social organizations, enjoyed an annual feed at the home of one of their number, Harland E. Histed, 806 Church street, on Tuesday evening.

Following a season of gustatory delight, a smoker was enjoyed, punctuated with addresses by Nelson D. Lambert on "The Future of 'De Gang,'" Wilbur Bodie on its "Origin," and by William Freund on "Things in General." Leon Hagaman presided at the piano.

Among the good things present on the table were: Turkey, cranberry sauce, rolls, celery, olives, pickles, punch, grape juice, ice cream, coffee, cigars, cigarettes. The menu was in charge of Mrs. Histed who was assisted by Misses Nellie Hulsizer, Lucy Russell, Charlotte Lane, Lottie Gallup.

The celebrants were: Wilbur Bodie, Clarence Bodie, Ralph Brown, Reuben Brown, William Pethick, Leon Hagaman, William Rterdon, Joseph Jacobs, William Freund, Albert Krantz, Coe Lemtizer, Nelson Lambert, Warren Smith, David Peterson, Russell Romaine, Harland Histed.

Sunday School Scholars Entertain. A Merry Christmas cantata was given by the members of the Sunday classes of the Methodist church on Monday evening. The parts were taken and the audience was well pleased. The characters represented were:

- Mother Goose... Edith Robinson
Sunny Jim... Wayne Spettigue
Jack Ames... Earl Arnold
George Porgie... Russell French
Little Boy Blue... Wm. Varcoe
Tom Tucker... Burton Robinson
Jack... Stanley Jenkins
Gill... Francis Church
Boopeep... Ruth Dibble
Curly Locks... Alice Dibble
Mistress Mary... Lillian Rabbitt
Marjorie Daw... Mildred Sharpeen
Mother... Elizabeth Bullock
Flossie... Grace Varcoe
Harold... Earl Campbell
Golden Locks... Catherine Partridge
Simple Simon... Clifton Robinson
Santa Claus... E. G. Jenkins
Brownies... Donald Partridge, Earl Marsh.

EAST LEMON ON THE MAP. East Lemon, "seven miles in the country from Factoryville," is on the map for another year, owing to an accidental shooting which took place in that thriving agricultural Wyoming county hamlet last Tuesday.

JUDGE SEARLE'S XMAS PRESENT

Commissioned by Governor John K. Tener

PRESIDENT JUDGE OF WAYNE COUNTY HAS RECEIVED THREE COMMISSIONS FROM THE EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA--TOOK OATH OF OFFICE, TUESDAY.

Hon. Alonzo T. Searle received an ideal Christmas present in the shape of a commission from Governor John K. Tener, authorizing him to have and to hold the office of President Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of the Twenty-Second Judicial District of said Commonwealth, composed of the county of Wayne, for the next ten years, commencing January 1, 1912. Judge Searle took the oath of office Tuesday afternoon at four o'clock, in chambers, before Register and Recorder E. W. Gammell.

His commission reads as follows: In the name and by Authority of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Executive Department. To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting:

WHEREAS, it appears by the certificates and returns made according to law, Alonzo T. Searle of the County of Wayne has been duly elected a Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of the Twenty-Second Judicial District of Pennsylvania, composed of the County of Wayne.

THEREFORE, know ye, that in conformity to the provisions of the Constitution and laws of the said Commonwealth in such case made and provided, I do by these Presents Commission him to be President Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of the Twenty-Second Judicial District of said Commonwealth, composed of the County of Wayne. He is, therefore, to have and to hold the said office, together with all the rights, powers, and emoluments thereunto belonging or by law in anywise appertaining for the term of ten years to be computed from the first Monday of January Anno Domini, one thousand nine hundred and