

## LUTHERAN MINISTERIUM MEETS AT GOULDSBORO

The Wilkes-Barre Conference Began a Session of Meetings at Gouldsboro Monday—Rev. C. C. Miller, of St. John's Lutheran Church, Honesdale, to Speak Wednesday.

The Wilkes-Barre conference of the Lutheran Ministerium met at Gouldsboro on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday next. The officers of the conference are: President, Rev. J. H. Kuder; English secretary, Rev. W. S. Heist; German secretary, Rev. J. D. C. Witke; treasurer, Rev. J. W. Koch; statistician, Rev. W. F. Heldt. The program follows:

Monday Evening—7:30, confession and absolution; 8:30, conference sermon, Rev. J. H. Kuder; administration of the holy communion. Tuesday Morning—9:00, formal opening of the conference by the president; official reports, President, Rev. J. H. Kuder; treasurer, Rev. J. H. Koch; report of secretaries on unfinished business; reports of standing committees; Mission, president of conference; doctrinal and practical subjects, Rev. J. D. C. Witke; apportionment committee, Rev. F. Croman; committee on excuses, Rev. L. B. Sterner; board of church extension society of the Wilkes-Barre conference, Rev. W. M. Rehrig, Ph. D.; statistician, Rev. W. F. Heldt; report of visitor, president of conference; Luther League, Northeast district, the president; Upper Lehigh Valley district, the president; matters referred to conferences by synod; miscellaneous business.

Tuesday afternoon, 2 o'clock—Opening service, Rev. L. B. Sterner; discussion of doctrinal and practical subjects; "The Scope and Importance of Evangelical Church Discipline," Rev. O. E. Ertwein; "Original Sin," Rev. Paul L. Kunzmann; "The Pastor in the Catechetical Class," Rev. W. M. Rehrig, Ph. D. Tuesday Evening, 7:30 o'clock—Vesper service, Rev. A. L. Smith; "The Great Importance of Attending to the Proper Education of Our Young People," Rev. W. Eucher; "The Field of Lutheran Evangelistic Work and Methods of Work," Rev. C. K. Fealey.

Wednesday Morning, 9 o'clock—Opening service with address, Rev. L. Lindenstruth, D. D.; institutions (brief written reports); Theological Seminary, Rev. W. M. Rehrig, Ph. D.; Muhlenberg College, Rev. J. A. Bender; institutions of mercy, Rev. W. H. Kline; reports of special committees; President's report, auditing, reformation jubilee, forward movement, Sunday school institute, inner mission, W. H. and F. Missionary Society, visitor's questions, recommendation of students for beneficiary aid, coal for Good Shepherd Home; report of conference historian, Rev. J. H. Kuder; miscellaneous business.

Wednesday Afternoon, 1:30—Opening service, Rev. C. C. Miller; postponed reports; miscellaneous reports; report of committee on excuses; final roll call and adjournment.

## FOOTBRIDGE ACROSS LACKAWAXEN.

Will Probably Be Built This Spring—Commissioners to Advertise for Bids.

There is an absolute necessity for the erection of the proposed Court street footbridge in Honesdale. The bridge view has been approved by the court and everything is in readiness for the county commissioners to advertise for bids. We have received authentic information that the board is seriously considering the advisability of building the bridge this spring, which will be gratifying news to the hundreds of people that the bridge would accommodate. The Greater Honesdale Board of Trade, which fathered the movement, has adopted plans for the structure which call for a reinforced concrete bridge 160 feet long. The arch span will be 110 feet with a footpath of 14 feet. Honesdale is entitled to something from the county as she pays one-fifth of all the taxes of the county. This alone is an item which ought to carry considerable weight with the county commissioners. If the board does not intend to build the bridge this year we suggest that it advertise for bids and ascertain the cost of same. The county treasury is in good shape and the county is free from debt. Let us have the bridge this spring.

## Teachers' Association at Equinunk, May 10-11.

The spring meeting of the Teachers' Association of Wayne county will be held at Equinunk, May 10 and 11. A large attendance of teachers is desired.

The following program will be rendered: Friday, May 10, 8 p. m. Solo, Edith N. Freed; recitation, Jane B. Gilchrist; lecture, Dr. D. W. LaRue, Professor of Psychology of State Normal School, East Stroudsburg, and of Harvard University Summer School.

Saturday, May 11, 9 a. m.: Devotional exercises; "Geography," Elizabeth A. Baird; address, Dr. LaRue; paper, W. W. Menhennett; recitation, Jane B. Gilchrist; "Some Present Country Problems," H. H. Pethick.

## STRUCK SUBMARINE

(Special to The Citizen.) London, April 30.—It is reported that the American ship, "Texas," carrying a cargo of lumber, struck a submarine mine, to-day, as the vessel entered the Gulf of Smyrna. Seventy-seven of the crew of 140 men are reported to have been killed.

## MEMORIAL SERVICE.

Memorial Services Were Held at the Presbyterian Church Sunday Morning—Easter Music Repeated at Evening Service.

The Presbyterian church on Sunday morning was crowded to hear Dr. Swift deliver a very able memorial sermon on the great loss of life in the recent Titanic disaster. The subject of his discourse was, "Messages From the Titanic Disaster." He took for his text the Eighty-first Psalm, thirteenth verse—"Oh that my people would hearken unto me!" "Four thoughts are in my mind this morning. Four messages that came to us from the sinking Titanic. "First—It is a grave mistake to sacrifice safety on the Atlantic to luxuriousness and speed.

"Second—This great loss of life was unnecessary.

"Third—The cure for the evil that has wrecked so many homes and is eating like a canker into the social life of our times, is a love so true, so tender, so strong, that not even death can sever it.

"Fourth—In life's crisis God is our only refuge and strength, and then the heart turns to him."

In the evening the Easter music was repeated by the choir.

## CANAL WILL HELP US

Commerce Between the Ports on the Atlantic and Pacific Coasts Over the Panama Route Will Benefit Pennsylvania.

Philadelphia, April 30. Just what effect the present United States navigation laws will have upon intercoastal commerce under changed maritime and commercial conditions due to the opening of the Panama Canal; and what modifications will be necessary in those laws to build up a larger American Merchant Marine, and encourage the investment of American capital therein, are questions that are causing considerable agitation in political as well as in business and commercial circles.

It is conceded that the present domestic merchant marine is scarcely adequate to the purposes it now serves, and that it will fall far short of meeting the demands of increased commerce between ports on the Atlantic and Pacific coasts, over the Panama route.

But at the same time it is recognized that under existing maritime laws in this country foreign vessels cannot engage in commercial transportation between two American ports. Therefore the exchange of products between eastern and western states by water carriers must necessarily devolve upon vessels built in the United States, flying this country's flag, and in all other respects meeting the requirements of the Federal statutes.

In view of such conditions business men in all parts of the state foresee the necessity, and at the same time the opportunity, for the investment of local capital in new steamship lines with the prospect of earning big dividends in return. Preliminary steps have already been taken to estimate what Pennsylvania's share of this increased commercial activity will be; and there are rumors of a financial syndicate about to be formed, to establish a new shipping line between the Port of Philadelphia and Pacific coast ports, via the Panama Canal.

While it is not known just how far such negotiations have progressed, it is realized that within a short time after the opening of the Panama Canal several such new lines will be necessary, and that those who are first to meet the need will naturally get the strongest hold on this new business. The situation is, therefore, one of vital importance to Pennsylvania and the many industries centered here.

In the first place, commercial men point out that every Pennsylvania industry will be directly or indirectly affected, and that the interests of the ultimate consumer are no less at stake than are those of the manufacturers, the farmers, the importers and exporters. The possibility of the railroads owning or controlling these new lines, thereby retaining as strong a grip upon the transportation situation as they have in the past, in the judgment of many gives a new and more serious aspect to the whole problem.

The natural fear is expressed that under such conditions the railroads would be just as powerful to fix rates and equalize competition as they are now. And while there is no disposition to diminish the business or cut the legitimate profits of the rail carriers, the control of the new intercoastal steamship lines that carry the commerce by way of Panama will, nevertheless, largely determine to just what extent the country as a whole shall profit by the digging of the "Big Ditch."

Lumber and fruits from the Western states, and hard coal from Pennsylvania, will in themselves form a big percentage of this intercoastal trade. With slight exception what transportation of these commodities there has been in the past between those two markets has been by the railroads. The transfer of this business, therefore, to water carriers at greatly reduced rates, represents a directly proportionate loss to the railroads. It is regarded as only natural that they should avail themselves of the best opportunity remaining—that of dominant control over the steamship lines.

Every boy who goes chestnutting should bear the free illustrated lecture at the school auditorium Friday evening, May 3. Keller E. Rockey will show many interesting and instructive pictures and tell us how the chestnut trees of this county may be saved from destruction by the blight.

## PLANT TREES BY DYNAMITE

Honesdale Orchardists Set Example for Other Progressive Farmers—Modern Method About One-half the Cost of Old Way.

It was our pleasure Saturday afternoon to visit the Spring Hill Poultry Farm of Messrs. A. T. Bryant and J. B. Robinson. The farm consists of fifteen acres and is located in Texas township, just north of the borough lines. As we approached the road-way leading to the entrance of this up-to-date farm our attention was attracted by sharp shooting as if it might have been target practice, but after climbing up the side hill to where these progressive farmers were working, we discovered that they were planting peach trees. They had no pick, shovel or grubbing axe but were setting out yearlings at the rate of one per minute and with much more ease than a father or grandfather ever thought of doing. But how, our readers ask, did they do it? We will tell you how and hope that the method adopted by these gentlemen may be practiced more extensively in the future by orchardists and farmers.

Dynamite was the agency used and to our knowledge it is the first time this powerful explosive has been used in Wayne county or at least in this section for preparing the soil for transplanting trees. A. T. Bryant had charge of the operation. He measured off 18 feet between the avenues and 15 feet between the trees. At the end of every 15 feet Mr. Bryant forced a crowbar down into the subsoil a distance of 15 inches into which a third of a stick of 30% Du Pont dynamite was dropped. The fuse was ignited and after a series of charges had been set off an inspection of the holes was made. Mr. Bryant dropped the crowbar into the holes made, and it sank down a little over half its length without any effort whatever. The ground had become loosened in all directions for several yards. The blast not only breaks up the hardened ground but kills all insects and grubs in the soil. A tree planted in the hole will be helped in its growth. It gives the tree roots a better opportunity to spread out than when the hole is dug by hand. Ten trees were planted in about as many minutes. After a tree is placed in the hole, sod is drawn around it and carefully packed down. Fertilizer will be placed over the sod and dirt as a top dressing. The remaining depression will serve as a pocket to retain the rain.

The Mountain Rose, Early Crawford, Niagara and El Berta, all free stone, comprise the early varieties planted. Messrs. Bryant and Robinson, if their trees grow well, expect a crop in two seasons. They have set out 500 trees and all have been planted by means of dynamite.

An example of the great benefit derived from the use of explosives, for excavating the holes in which young trees are to be planted, was recently brought to our attention by a well-known fruit grower, who reported that he planted nine peach trees a few years ago to determine positively whether anything was to be gained by using dynamite. Three of the trees were planted in holes by drilling a two-inch auger three to four feet deep, and exploding a charge of dynamite in the bottom; the other six trees were planted in holes of the regulation size by hand. In three years the three trees which had been planted in the blasted holes were strong and healthy, and produced between five and six bushels of very fine peaches; but the other six trees, planted upon the same ground without blasting, bore practically no peaches at all, both fruit and leaves having shriveled up and dropped off during the dry season.

In addition to the orchard end of their farm, Messrs. Bryant and Robinson are raising chickens upon an extensive scale. They have 600 laying hens and about 900 chicks. All chickens are White Leghorns. New York was a ready market for eggs last winter and good prices were received for the product. The chicken house, 14x100 feet, is built on modern lines and faces the south. Fine springs are located upon the farm and everything is kept in first-class shape.

Before many years will have passed Messrs. Bryant and Robinson will be enjoying the fruits of their labor. They have set an example which all progressive farmers ought to follow. It certainly would mean an increase in the crop per acre and the farmer who fails to realize this, and still believes that he can get along in the old way, will soon find himself hopelessly defeated.

## OUTLAW GANG BEING TRIED

(Special to The Citizen.) Hillsville, W. Va., April 30.—The trial of the Allen gang was commenced here this morning. The gang is charged with killing the judge, district attorney, clerk of the court and others March 14 last when the Allens were on trial.

Among the men to be tried are Floyd, Victor, Claude and Friel Allen, all brothers. Floyd will be tried first.

All spectators were searched before they were allowed to enter the court room.

It is expected that the trial will be of short duration.

## PRIMARIES IN MASSACHUSETTS.

Both Sides Claim Victory; A Hot Fight is On.

(Special to The Citizen.) Boston, Mass., April 30.—The primaries are in session here today. There is a hot fight on, both sides claiming a victory.

## THAT \$10 PRIZE.

Who is Going to Get It? Why the Boy or Girl Bringing the Largest Number of Dead Flies to This Office.

The Citizen's fly killing contest starts on Wednesday, May 1. To the boy or girl bringing the largest number of dead flies to this office the management will pay \$10 at the end of the contest, September 1, and to the party who brings the next largest number a reward of \$5 will be given. Start in killing this disease-carrying pest at once.

Somewhere in the neighborhood of a billion flies were killed in the various campaigns of 1911 and filthy breeding places were cleaned up. If left alone, would have insured the propagation of additional uncounted billions. The summer of 1912 will not see the extermination of the species. But if the plans of national, state and local civic organizations and health departments are only half carried out, the outlook for the crop of 1913 will be very much less encouraging—to the fly.

Just think of it the female house fly whose progeny in a season is 1,096,181,249,320,000,000,000,000,000 flies, enough to make 268,778,165,861 cubic miles, or more than the total mass of the earth, visits our homes every day. Please kill that fly.

Flies to count in The Citizen contest may be killed in any way and by any form except by sticky fly-paper. Traps, "swatters" and poison paper can be used. The wide awake boy can set his trap or dish of poison paper in windows. Most any merchant would give permission to have traps or other devices placed in his store windows to free his place of the fly. To make a trap tack a cone or wire gauze to a wooden base containing a hole about three inches in diameter. Tack legs or supports of some kind that will raise the trap about a half inch above the surface on which it is placed. Cover the lower part of the cone with a black cloth. Use a poisoned bait. The flies will afterwards climb toward the light. Sweetened water is a good bait, this of course will not kill the fly, something must be added to it to make it fatal.

It is better not to drown the fly for a wet fly does not occupy as much space as a dry one. Sulphur fumes can be used with success to kill them when the trap needs emptying. The flies will be counted by bulk, 1,600 flies filling a gill measure.

Kill all the flies you see, save them and bring them to the Citizen office. They will be counted and you will earn the proper credit. You cannot earn \$10 easier.

## COMPANIES LOSE CHARTER.

State Water Commission Sends Names of Companies to Attorney General for Revocation of Charters.

Harrisburg.—Names of sixty-five inactive water companies of the state were certified to the attorney general's department by the state water supply commission for revocation of charters. This, it is said, is the biggest single action of this kind ever undertaken.

The general incorporation act of 1874 provides for vacation of the charter of any corporation that does not start work within two years after it gets its charter and which does not finish construction within five years. The water supply commission has been looking over charter records in the state department for some time to ascertain what companies are amenable to revocation.

Some of the companies on the list are not merely inactive, but have certified to the auditor general's department that they are doing nothing; this was done in order to escape taxation. Some of the companies were incorporated ten or more years ago; others have been incorporated more recently.

The companies named from this end of the state are as follows:

- People's Water company, of Plymouth township, Luzerne county.
- Pike Water Power company, Hawley borough, Wayne county.
- Shavertown Water company, Kingstown township, Luzerne county.
- Spragueville Water company, Strouds township, Monroe township.
- South Abington Water company, South Abington, Lackawanna county.
- Springs Run Water company, Nescopeck township, Luzerne county.
- Lenape Water Supply company, Coolbaugh township, Monroe county.
- Monroe Township Water company, Monroe township, Snyder county.
- Buck Township Water company, Buck township, Luzerne county.

## Struck by Lackawanna Train, Schaeffer Died in Hospital.

Struck by a Lackawanna railroad train at Gouldsboro Sunday, William Schaeffer, 64 years old, employed at the St. Charles hotel in Gouldsboro, died at 5 o'clock Monday morning in the State hospital, Scranton.

Schaeffer was a former resident of Wilkes-Barre, but lately lived with E. Schaeffer, a brother, on Academy street. It was a milk train that hit him as he crossed the tracks. His skull was fractured and an operation was performed.

## 960 Per Cent. on Marconi Stock.

The stockholders of the Marconi Wireless Telegraph Company of America, at a special meeting held recently approved the proposition to increase the capital stock from \$1,882,500 to \$10,000,000. Shareholders will receive five shares of new stock, par value \$5 each, for every share of old stock, the par of which is \$25, and will also be allowed to subscribe for additional new stock at par in the ratio of five shares of new to one of old up to the close of business on May 6.

## DEATH OF PROMINENT LAWYER

B. Stuart Bentley Died at His Williamsport Home Last Tuesday—Well Known Here—Was a Cousin of Mrs. W. H. Stone.

B. Stuart Bentley died at his residence, 337 Millin place, at 1:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, aged 75 years and one month. He had been confined to the home only for the past two weeks but the seriousness of his condition had been recognized almost from the first. He is survived by his wife, one daughter, Mrs. H. A. Gibson, of this city, one sister, Mrs. G. G. Waller, of German town, and one brother, P. W. Bentley, of this city.

Benjamin Stuart Bentley was born in Montrose, Susquehanna county, and was educated in Branklin, N. Y. Returning from school he studied law with the firm of Bentley & Fish, which was composed of his father and an uncle. He was admitted to the bar of Susquehanna county in 1860.

He practiced law in Montrose until October 20, 1866, when he took up his residence in Williamsport and continued the practice of law. There are only two men living today who were members of the Lycoming county bar when he was admitted and neither of them is in active practice. He had served in both the school board and Common council with credit to the ward which chose him.

He served for a number of years as clerk of the circuit court of the United States for the western district of Pennsylvania and still held the office of United States Commissioner.

## Was First Prothonotary.

When the Superior court was created, in June, 1895, Mr. Bentley was appointed prothonotary for the Williamsport district and continued to hold that office until death removed him.

When, in 1888, the Republican party looked about for a strong man whom it felt could be elected judge of this county, its choice fell upon Mr. Bentley and, after a campaign of unusual warmth, he was defeated by Hon. John J. Metzgar by only 44 votes in a poll of nearly 15,000 votes. Then followed the famous judicial contest which lasted more than a year before Judges Mayer, Rockefeller and Burcher decided Mr. Metzgar elected by a plurality of 129 votes.

## An Excellent Musician.

Mr. Bentley was very fond of music and in his younger days no concert or home musical entertainment was complete without him. He played Dick Deaneys in the famous Williamsport "Pinafore" company which made the Williamsport hospital possible by its performances, and Sam Trusty, the boatman, in "The Mad Queen." He was a member of the Handel and Haydn society and in its palmy days sang prominent parts in its cantatas, one of which was "The Haymakers."

For many years he was organist of Trinity Episcopal church and when the chimes were first placed in Trinity's steeple and when they were used for more than striking the quarter hour, it was his hand that pealed out the hymns and other sweet music on its bells.

Mr. Bentley was also a vestryman of Trinity church for a number of years.—Williamsport Gazette and Bulletin.

The following obituary notice of B. S. Bentley appeared in last Wednesday's Williamsport Gazette and Bulletin. Mr. Bentley was a cousin of Mrs. W. H. Stone of Court street. The deceased was in the law office of G. G. Waller, Honesdale, one year.

## SHEA WANTS JUDGE FULLER RECALLED.

Attorney General Has Set May 8 as Time For Hearing on Attorney's Petition.

Attorney Thomas D. Shea, of Wilkes-Barre, who is leading the recall against President Judge H. A. Fuller, of Luzerne county, has succeeded in getting Attorney General Bell to set May 8, at 10 a. m., in Harrisburg, for a hearing to show cause whether a quo warranto shall not be instituted against Judge Fuller.

At the legislative session of 1901, a bill was passed entitling the Eleventh judicial district, which is the same as Luzerne county, to an additional law judge. That bill was signed by the governor on July 11.

## 225 BODIES BROUGHT ASHORE

(Special to The Citizen.)

Halfway, N. S., April 30.—At 9:40 this morning the morgue ship, Mackey-Bennett, docked, bringing to shore 225 bodies, victims of the Titanic disaster. As the vessel steamed toward shore the church bells tolled and flags were lowered at half-mast. In five minutes afterwards the bodies were removed from the ship. Sailors stood in a line and passed the bodies from hand to hand. They were covered with burlaps and canvas. The bodies were soaked with sea salt and were comparatively in good condition. They were placed in service wagons and taken to undertakers.

Among the number were Col. John Jacob Astor and Isidore Straus, being the last to be removed from the ship. The remains of Col. Astor were identified by Captain Richard Robert, who claimed that the body was that of his former master.

The sailors claim that the scenes were horrible when the bodies were picked up. Many of them, they state, were found frozen in the ice and it was with great difficulty that they were secured.

## START MONDAY.

Get Ready to Assist in Clean-up Week Crusade—Improvement Association Efforts to Make Honesdale Cleaner the Talk of the Town—Everybody Lend a Hand.

Nobody in Honesdale or Texas township is too big or too small not to be civily interested in the cleanup movement, according to the views of those who are prosecuting it. Every householder in Honesdale and vicinity, no matter where he lives, whether it be in a mansion or a shack, or any of the intermediate classes of buildings, is hereby notified to clean up his premises. And to their credit most of them seem to be entirely willing to engage in the task of making the town cleaner and more sanitary. Of course the health officers expect to be required to make some arrests as the aftermath of the campaign. But unpleasant as this will be for the officers, just that much more unpleasant will it be for those arrested. Let us hope there will be no occasion for arrests.

Individual property owners are now alone in being directed to take part in the clean-up movement. Corporations, business firms and owners of vacant lots are among those to whom the word has been given also.

There are a number of families in Honesdale who have heeded former requests to clean up to whom the Improvement Association is indeed very grateful.

In cleaning up your back yards and cellars you will come across considerable rubbish which you can turn into money, such as old rubbers, iron, brass, copper and papers.

Take up. Clean up. Shine up. Dust up. Try and make your home surroundings neater than your neighbors. Begin now.

## FREEDOM LODGE CELEBRATE

Anniversary Sermon Preached by Pastor Wendell Sunday—Electric City Quartette Entertain Monday Evening—Excellent Supper.

Freedom Lodge of Old Fellows, No. 88, royally entertained their members, wives and invited guests at their lodge rooms last Monday evening, the occasion being the celebration of the 33rd anniversary of Odd Fellowship in America. The latter, however, was fittingly observed at the Baptist church last Sunday evening when 75 members of Freedom Lodge attended that church in a body. They listened to a very strong and instructive sermon by the pastor, Rev. G. S. Wendell. The lesson was taken from the story of the "Good Samaritan" and the words of Christ, "What doest thou?" or in other words, what is your purpose.

The social side of the anniversary was attended by about 200 guests and members. A most sumptuous supper was served and only words of highest praise were heard concerning it. After the guests had partaken of the repast they are entertained by the Electric City Quartette. The members of this singing club were heartily encoored after each selection. Their voices blended nicely and they are stars of the first magnitude. They were well received and Freedom Lodge made no mistake in securing them for their evening's entertainment.

Vice-Grand R. M. Stocker made a short address and R. J. Rehben told a few stories.

Freedom Lodge is one of the most active fraternal organizations in Wayne county. It has a membership of 165 and the prospects are good for many more. The lodge was instituted in Prompton October 16, 1843, and was removed to Honesdale July 31, 1852. The lodge meets every Monday evening. Its officers are: L. S. Partridge, noble grand; R. M. Stocker, vice grand; W. A. Sluman, secretary; A. C. Lindsay, treasurer; G. W. Penwarden, R. J. Muller, and George Lorenz, trustees. It is to these gentlemen that those who attended the social gathering Monday evening are indebted. All had the finest kind of a time.

## SCRANTON BOY ASPHYXIATED.

Messenger Boy Slept in Office—Kicked Off Gas Tube and Died Two Hours After Discovered.

(Special to The Citizen.) Scranton, April 30.—Harry Reidenbach, aged 14 years, of this city, a messenger boy at office No. 6 of the Messenger company, was found unconscious this morning at 6 o'clock. Reidenbach had slept in the office all night and in some manner kicked off the gas tube which allowed the gas to escape. He was removed to the State hospital and despite all efforts made to resuscitate him, he died two hours later without gaining consciousness.

## McNally Now Owns Lake Lodore.

Patrick McNally has purchased the Jordan's interest in the Lake Lodore Improvement company and will hereafter conduct the business of that popular picnic resort himself. The deal includes the purchase of Lake Lodore, Elk and Keen lakes and about seven acres of land near the ice houses. The picnic ground is leased property. The deal includes all stock with the exception of \$5,000 held by Mrs. Robinson, Scranton. The offices will be transferred from Scranton to Waymart. The Citizen congratulates Mr. McNally in obtaining control of that popular resort and hopes he will experience a record-breaking year.