

COMMISSIONERS HOLD MONTHLY SESSION HERE

PLANS FOR ATTENDING COMMISSIONERS' CONVENTION TALKED OVER.

Other Business Transacted and Monthly Bills Paid—Weldner Will Fill in Approaches to New Bridge.

The county commissioners held their regular monthly meeting in their office in the court house Tuesday afternoon and only the regular business was brought before that body. Bills for the month of July were ordered paid.

Larry Weldner was engaged to fill in the approaches to the abutments to the new foot bridge over the Lackawaxen river at the foot of Court street. A communication from the contractors who secured the contract for building the new bridge, informed the commissioners that the work on the bridge would not be finished until fall. It was at first thought that it would be completed in time for the Chautauqua but that will be impossible as the Chautauqua will take place this month.

The matter of sending representatives to the Commissioners' Convention which will meet in Williamsport on August 11-16 inclusive, was talked over at the meeting on Tuesday afternoon but nothing definite was reached, as it could not be determined who could attend. It is possible that Commissioners' Clerk T. Y. Boyd and one or more of the commissioners may attend the convention as it would be a great help to them. County Solicitor Homer Greene is also holding the date under consideration.

P. H. Hoff, attorney for the Hawley poor board, appeared before the commissioners while in session to protest against the non-payment of expenses of the non-resident poor of Hawley. The commissioners ordered the bill paid.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT EMBARRASSED.

Harrisburg.—Road work by the state throughout Pennsylvania has been halted abruptly. The activities of the state highway department in one of its most important functions have been paralyzed suddenly. Specifically the work affected is the reconstruction of hundreds of miles of state highways and the maintenance of the Sproul system of state roads.

The cause of this tremendous effect is the refusal of Auditor General Powell to credit to the account of the state highway department the funds received from the collection of automobile license fees. An interpretation of the law is involved in the action of the auditor general. Meanwhile State Highway Commissioner Bigelow is confronted by a lack of necessary funds to carry on the work in the seasonal period. Therefore he ordered the cessation of the portion of his work, with the exception of a single contract. And that was only a few miles of an uncompleted contract between Paoli and West Chester.

Not only is the highway department embarrassed, but also the contractors who had assembled men and machinery so as to take advantage of the good weather in this month and the next.

The present difficulty arises from a difference of opinion between the auditor general and Highway Commissioner Bigelow, as to what is the full meaning of a "specific appropriation." The law forbids fiduciary officials to make disbursements, except on the order of a specific legislative appropriation. Auditor General Powell holds that the appropriation of the last legislature giving "all the automobile license fees to the highway department for maintenance and construction of road work," is not specific and that, therefore, it would be clearly illegal for him to honor any of the highway department's warrants on this fund. It is estimated that these fees for the next two years, the term affected, will amount to \$1,500,000. In other words, that is the sum which the highway officials feel that they are being deprived of for use in road work.

Powell contends that while the appropriation act in dispute is specific in that it designates how the license fees should be used, it is not specific in designating the amount to be used. Replying to this argument, highway officials say that it was the purpose of the legislature, to award the fees to the highway department. They argue that this is proved by the very fact that no amount is stated, saying that it was impossible to determine two years in advance what the fees would amount to. The attorney-general's department has been asked for an opinion, but it is not likely that Powell, unless forced to do so by the influence of public opinion, will recede from his position until the courts have decided the legal point in question.

LETTERS ADVERTISED.

Letter remaining uncalled for at the Honesdale postoffice, week ending July 26, 1913: F. Anley. Mrs. John W. Bourke. Dora Woodward Burleigh. Master Cameron Davis. L. I. Hohl. Edward North. H. U. & A. H. Stearnes. George Boyer. Mrs. Lyman Whipple. Miss Belle Duncan. William Hopkins. Miss Alice L. Shaffer. Mrs. H. Steffen. Miss Esther Pease. Persons calling for above will say "advertised." Martin B. Allen, stamper.

KICKED BY HORSE; LIMB BROKEN AT KNEE JOINT.

Richard Walsh, of Canaan, Sustains Painful Injury in Holl Brothers' Barn on Wednesday Afternoon.

Richard Walsh, aged 50 years, of Canaan township, who resides near the Canaan Catholic church, sustained what is thought to be a compound fracture of the left knee, about half-past four o'clock Wednesday afternoon, when he was kicked by his horse which was hitched in Hull Brothers' barn on South Main street.

Mr. Walsh had come to Honesdale on business and put up his horse in the barn. About four-thirty he went in to give the horse some hay before he left for home. As he was passing the horse in the narrow stall it kicked him, the blow breaking the left limb near the knee joint so that the bone protruded. When assistance came Mr. Walsh was removed to the office of Dr. Griffin where the fractured limb was attended to, but the doctor decided it was best to have the man taken to a hospital so that an X-ray picture could be taken to determine the extent of the fracture. Mr. Walsh was taken on the 6 o'clock Erie train to Scranton where he entered the Moses Taylor hospital.

The horse had been owned by Mr. Walsh for many years and had never been known to kick before. The occurrence at this particular time when Mr. Walsh was there beside the animal in the narrow stall, was probably the result of being bothered by flies.

Advice from the hospital to-day stated that Mr. Walsh was resting easily but that the X-ray had not yet been used.

FORMER WAYNE COUNTY MAN KILLED.

A most distressing accident happened at No. 5 colliery of the Erie Tuesday afternoon when Weighmaster James N. Hallock, of 406 North Blakely street, Dunmore, was instantly killed. He was standing on top of a coal car when the jar of starting the train threw him beneath the wheels.

Mr. Hallock was born in what is now Cortez, near Maplewood, and was aged sixty-five years. He had resided in Dunmore during the past forty-five years and for forty-four years had been in the employ of the Pennsylvania Coal company, having run the old iron trucks on the gravity.

He was an active and earnest member of the Methodist church and also belonged to the Protected Home Circle. He is survived by his wife and two daughters, Verna May and Marie, at home and three sons, Bert J., of Scranton; Frank W., of Dunmore, and Carl, at home; also two brothers, David Hallock, of Cortez and Friend Hallock, of Scranton.

WHO IS LEADING?

In answer to the many inquiries as to who is leading the base ball team in batting we give herewith a hastily composed list of averages. Many of these averages are a little above normal because of the "sweetest" on Sunday at Hawley. In one instance, that of Capt. Brader, the average is much lower than it should be because Brader played the first four games with a very bad hand, which interfered much with his batting. By leaving out these four games Brader's average would be .341, which is nearer to his normal form.

Table with 4 columns: Name, AB, H, P. C. Tarkett 57 26 .456 Mangan 58 25 .431 Paatz 30 12 .400 Sandercock 65 25 .384 Lily 65 20 .307 Hessling 21 6 .286 Jacobs 47 13 .276 Brader 62 16 .258 Weaver 39 10 .256 Schilling 48 11 .229 Larson 50 10 .200 Loll 30 6 .200 Vetter 22 4 .182

Honesdale has played 18 games, won 12 and lost 6, a percentage of .667. The batting averages above, taken from 17 of these 18 games, there being one game lost in Forest City of which no detail score is obtainable at this writing. We lost 3 to Forest City, 1 to Carbondale and 1 to Hawley.

COMING EVENTS.

A reunion of the survivors of Co. B, 3rd Pennsylvania Reserves and other veterans will be held at Lake Ariel on Saturday, August 9.

St. Mary Magdalen's congregation will hold their annual picnic at Bellevue Park, Friday, Aug. 15.

Mr. Maline, State President of the L. T. L. branch of the W. C. T. U., will deliver a temperance address in the M. E. church at Lookout Friday evening, Aug. 8. All invited.

Miss Lena M. Blum, of the Bible Training School, Lestershire, N. Y., will speak at the Braham M. E. church Sunday evening, Aug. 10, at 8 o'clock. Young people especially invited.

The union basket picnic of the Methodist church of Honesdale, Waymart and Prompton will be held at the latter place on Friday, August 8. Excursionists who intend to attend the picnic are requested to leave on the 12:25 D. & H. train.

The W. C. T. U. will hold its annual meeting and election of officers in the Methodist Lecture Room on Tuesday afternoon, August 12, at 3 o'clock.

FAMILY REUNIONS.

Stalker Reunion. The twelfth annual reunion of the Stalker family will be held at the home of T. B. Welsh at Tyler Hill Aug. 27, 1913. All the relatives are cordially invited to attend. Emma Stalker, Secretary.

How to Build Up or Tear Down This Community

By J. O. LEWIS

The Menace of the Mail Order Houses.

THAT the mail order houses in the large cities have BECOME A MENACE to the smaller cities, towns and communities is proved by the large patronage they enjoy from all over the entire country and further substantiated by the number of packages carried by transportation companies, which under the law must bear the name or some mark of identification by which the shipper is known.

This mail order business got its inception from men who made a habit of buying up secondhand goods, stocks from bankrupt firms and fire damaged or salvage goods from fire losses. To these were added goods that were culled by manufacturers and graded seconds and thirds, etc.

These were shrewd business men, men who believed in advertising, and, realizing the possibilities of advertising, commenced their business entirely along these lines, and to PROVE THE SUCCESS OF ADVERTISING no better evidence could possibly be offered than the fact that every weekly paper—farm, industrial, social or religious—carries their advertisements and also that they send out catalogues of enormous sizes, beautifully illustrated and embellished, costing hundreds of thousands of dollars to publish.

Today they have grown to such enormous size that they own and control factories, while they contract to sell the entire output of other factories.

However, the plants they control and operate manufacture what is termed in commercial parlance as competitive goods—something that every merchant can sell at a low price to meet the demands for cheap merchandise.

BUT AS TO STANDARD AND HIGH CLASS GOODS MADE BY LARGE AND RELIABLE FIRMS YOU NEVER SEE THESE GOODS ADVERTISED BY MAIL ORDER HOUSES, OR IF YOU DO THE PRICE IS JUST THE SAME AS FIXED BY THE MANUFACTURERS FOR ALL DEALERS.

Therefore when one orders articles of the low priced and cheaper kinds HE IS SURE TO GET JUST WHAT HE BUYS—cheaply made goods and seconds and no cheaper than he can buy right at home when freight charges, money order fees and postage are added.

Thousands of dollars annually are being sent to these mail order houses from this vicinity, thus DEPRIVING THE HOME MERCHANT OF HIS RIGHTFUL PATRONAGE. And yet, no matter how much the merchant may be dependent on the patronage of members of his community, he is supposed to give and to aid in every work undertaken for the material betterment of his town, and he does, being often coerced into giving by the demands of his customers, fearing to offend them because of the fear of loss of patronage.

THERE CAN BE NO QUESTION BUT THAT ALL OF OUR PEOPLE ARE IN DUTY BOUND TO PATRONIZE HOME MERCHANTS. TO THEM YOU OWE ALLEGIANCE AND SUPPORT, AND I NOW ASK YOU CANDIDLY, ARE YOU GIVING IT TO THEM?

If you are buying goods out of your home town—more particularly from mail order houses and merchants in other cities—I say to you that you are UNDERMINING THE HOME MERCHANT and likewise the very foundation of your own well being. Every dime that you send to a mail order house makes that much harder the success of your home merchant and likewise retards the growth of your town. The money you send to mail order houses is taken entirely out of local circulation—is gone forever.

WHEREAS, IF YOU SPEND IT WITH A HOME MERCHANT HE IN TURN WILL SPEND IT WITH SOME ONE ELSE—PERHAPS PAY IT BACK TO YOUR FATHER, YOUR SON OR BROTHER, SISTER OR DAUGHTER AS SALARY, AND THUS IT COMES BACK INTO THE FAMILY, DOING A UNIVERSAL GOOD.

That many of our home people are ordering goods from mail order houses is a well known fact. One has but to visit the depots and express office to find therein daily many packages addressed to them and likewise bearing the name or address of certain mail order houses. These people are known to our merchants, and that's a fact. These packages consist of clothing, dry goods, groceries, drugs, toilet articles, furniture, hardware, carpenters' tools, farm implements and what not, ALL OF WHICH COULD BE PURCHASED FROM OUR OWN HOME MERCHANTS, QUALITY CONSIDERED, FREIGHT CHARGES ADDED AND TIME IN TRANSPORTATION, JUST AS CHEAPLY AS FROM ANY MAIL ORDER HOUSE IN THE COUNTRY.

Supposing the merchants should band themselves together and refuse credit to those who patronize these mail order houses and further refuse to employ members of families who do this or refuse to buy the wares of these people? Wouldn't they find living mighty hard?

To be continued under the title, "THE HOME MERCHANT HAS EARNED SUPPORT."

WAS TALLEST PERSON AT LAKE LODORE.

Mrs. F. A. Davis, of New Haven, Conn., who is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ferdinand Kroll on Sixth street, won a prize at the Carbondale Merchant's picnic at Lake Lodore on Wednesday for being the tallest lady present. The prize was an assortment of Beach Nut staple groceries which were offered by the merchants of Carbondale. Mrs. Davis is 6 foot tall.

The second prize in the competition was won by a Waymart woman and the third was a tie between Miss Katherine Kroll, of Honesdale, and Miss Herbert, of Carbondale.



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You can answer your own question then.

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TWO RECEIVE EXAMINATION FOR CITIZENSHIP PAPERS

PRELIMINARY HELD WEDNESDAY MORNING BEFORE JOHN A. NASH.

Applicants were Jacob Oberly, of Prompton, and Anton Berg, of Honesdale—Receive Final Papers Monday.

A preliminary examination for naturalization to become citizens of the United States was conducted in the office of Prothonotary W. J. Barnes on Wednesday morning by Examining Officer John A. Nash, of Philadelphia.

Those who are about to complete their final papers and become citizens under the law were Jacob Chery of Prompton, and Anton Berg, of Honesdale.

The preliminary examination is always held prior to the naturalization court in order to prepare the applicants for the final examination. The two applicants will receive their naturalization papers on Monday afternoon next if they prove themselves worthy of becoming citizens at the special term of naturalization court which will be held Monday before President Judge A. T. Searle.

TO ARRANGE FOR SPELLING CONTEST.

The spelling contest committee, composed of Misses Theresa Soete, Alma Schuller and Julia Schimmell, met with County Superintendent J. J. Koehler Monday afternoon and decided upon rules and regulations for the Wayne county spelling contests to be held during 1913.

The district contests will take place October 25 while the county contest will be held the first day of the County Teachers' Institute, November 10th. Eighteen hundred words, the same as last year, will be used.

NEW FOOT BRIDGE.

F. J. Varcoe is building concrete piers for a foot bridge. It will span the Lackawaxen river at the left of the new Gurney Electric Works. The bridge will be built by subscription, the employees of this plant and the silk mill giving toward the project.

TEAM, DRIVER AND WAGON GO DOWN EMBANKMENT.

Victor Mesler, Driver of Borden's Team Escapes What Might Have Proven Serious Accident.

About 3:30 Thursday morning Borden's team, milk wagon and Victor Mesler, driver, went down a forty-foot embankment at the end of the Dyberry State road. The morning was very dark and foggy, which accounted for the accident. It happened at what is known as the Big Eddy in the Dyberry river. Mr. Mesler drives the Borden team and collects milk from the farmers. He leaves Honesdale about 3 o'clock every morning, going to Rileyville, where he receives large quantities of milk.

Mr. Mesler was not injured in the fall, which is miraculous, as the river bank is rocky and full of stubble. The horses laid one over the other and were unable to free themselves until Mr. Mesler secured help. The milk wagon and empty cans were turned upside down. Mr. Mesler obtained Fred Weyman, Wallace Justin, Leslie Van Deusen, and Edward Starbuck to assist in getting the team unhitched and out of the difficulty. Superintendent Curtis was also called. The horses were taken to Mr. Van Deusen's barn, where no deep cuts or bruises were found. Taking it as a whole it was a fortunate accident for man and beast.

BAYARD VEILLER'S SENSATIONAL PLAY.

"Within the Law" at the Eltinge Theatre, New York city, is nearing the end of its first year's run. It will then have established the record of being the only play that began the last season and to have continued throughout. The 48th week commenced Monday evening to a capacity house at Mr. Woods' cosy and cool theatre. "Within the Law" has been "seen" by the blind of New York City and the management is now perfecting arrangements for a special performance for the inmates of Sing Sing. The play seems to have the "punch" necessary for a world wide success, as it is playing to tremendous business in London and Melbourne, Australia. Arrangements are now in negotiation for the production in Berlin which is scheduled for September. The play will remain at the Eltinge Theatre, New York, indefinitely.

"Within the Law" will be seen in Honesdale some time in the near future.

HUM! BIG HEAP FIRE WATER

Sunbury, Aug. 6.—When a box car loaded with beer caught fire on the Pennsylvania railroad here it burned through the floor and through several of the kegs.

The beer, released, served as an automatic fire extinguisher and extinguished the flames. The Sunbury fire department, which was called out, found that the beer had done effective work.

DEAD MAN'S CURVE ELIMINATED

Summer work on the road between Carbondale and Waymart has been completed according to William Sensell, state superintendent. The "Dead Man's Curve," near the Rosemont bungalow has been eliminated and numerous other improvements completed. Another bad curve at the entrance to Farview hospital was not removed.

BRYAN MAY LECTURE IN HONESDALE.

William Jennings Bryan, Secretary of State, may address the Honesdale Chautauqua which will be held here August 21-27. It is understood that an effort is being made to secure his services for a lecture. He will be in Stroudsburg August 27. Why not Honesdale?

Death of W. H. Kearney.

William H. Kearney, a brother of Mrs. Patrick McGarry, formerly of this place, now of Scranton, died suddenly in New York City on Sunday. He was aged 75 years of age. Mr. Kearney was a former editor and proprietor of the Archbold News.

NEW CORONER FOR SULLIVAN.

Governor Sulzer of New York state has appointed Arch B. Rosenstraus, of Fallsburgh, coroner for Sullivan county to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Dr. Kemp, late of Callicoon.

PLOW PUT ABOVE PULPIT.

Too Many Ready to Preach, Says Vice President Marshall.

"Too many persons who see the sign 'P. C.' in the heavens think it means 'Preach Christ' when it means 'Plow Corn,'" said Vice President Thomas R. Marshall when addressing 20,000 persons who had gathered at Mooseheart, Ill., to attend the laying of the cornerstone for a great industrial school and home for orphaned children and the aged. The institution is to be erected by the Loyal Order of the Moose.

"Out of the superior educational advantages of today," the vice president said, "one unhappy corollary has developed. A vast army of persons whose inborn would make for the industrial advancement of the nation have conceived themselves fitted for fancied nobler pursuits, and thus the progress they would have made in the work they are fitted for is lost."

WILL IT BE MAYOR SILVERSTONE?

"Billy" says he is a standpatter and is going to stand by the old party. He also says that he will enforce the borough ordinance.

WHO WILL BE NEAR JURY COMMISSIONER?

THREE CANDIDATES' PETITIONS NOW BEING CIRCULATED FOR NOMINATION.

Candidates To Date are L. S. Partridge, Washington Party, Oscar Miller and James Moylan, Democrats—Require 100 Signers.

The office of jury commissioner which is the only county office to be filled at the coming fall election is being much sought after by candidates, there being to date three petitions being circulated by as many candidates for the office.

L. S. Partridge, of Honesdale, has a petition in circulation. One hundred names or signers are required on a petition to place him in nomination as a candidate on the Washington party ticket at the coming primaries.

James Moylan is circulating a petition for the same office on the Democratic ticket.

Oscar Miller is also out for signatures for his petition to be a candidate on the Democratic ticket.

CHAUTAQUA TICKET SELLERS.

Honesdale and vicinity has been distracted for the sale of Chautauqua tickets and the following young ladies have consented to canvass their respective districts:

- West of D. & H. railroad, Clara and Jeanette Rief. South of center of Fifth street, Emma Flora. From center of Fifth street to center of Seventh street, Madeline O'Connell. From center of Seventh street to center of Ninth street, Minnie Schoell. From center of Ninth street to center of Eleventh street, Grace Hanlan. From center of Eleventh street to Lackawaxen river, Elizabeth Whitney. From Lackawaxen river to center of High street, and west of Main St., Mildred Ward; East of Main St., Emma Brown. From Center of High street to center of 14th street, and West of Main street, Gertrude Murrman. East of Main street, Charlotte Bauman. From center of 14th street, to center of 16th streets, West of Main St., Ettie Furth; east of Main St., Olive Rockwell. From center of 16th street to Borough line, and west of Main street, Charlotte Bullock. East of Main street, Flossie Bryant. North of borough line, Misses Gillen. East of Lackawaxen river, Alice Walters. From Union Stamp Shoe Co. factory to center of Young street, Julia Storms. East of center of Terrace St., Marie Bracey. North of center of Russel street, Essie Kelley. Seelyville—Misses Louise and Emma Smith. White Mills—Ed. Skelly's store. Hawley—Jas. M. McGinty, Snyder, Freethy and Parker's drug store.

INSTRUCTOR IN MATHEMATICS.

Olin J. Barnes Secures Position in Wilkes-Barre High School.

The many Wayne county friends of Olin J. Barnes, of Beachlake, will be elated to hear that he has secured a position as instructor in mathematics in the Wilkes-Barre High school.

Mr. Barnes is well qualified for the position to which he has been elected, having graduated from the Greenville College, Greenville, Ill., giving him degrees of Bachelor of Pedagogy and Bachelor of Science. While at Greenville he taught mathematics. He also holds a diploma from Lowell's Business College, Binghamton, N. Y. He attended a partial course in the University of Illinois, Urbana. Mr. Barnes is also a graduate from the Honesdale High school. A few years since he corrected an answer in Milne's Advanced Algebra, for which he received due credit from the publishers and also meant considerable to his standing in the community. Mr. Barnes is a studious young man of exemplary character, possessing those traits that go to make up a life that is admired by the public at large. Owing to ill health, which he has since fully recovered, Mr. Barnes was compelled to rest for a year. He and his estimable young wife go to Wilkes-Barre with the highest recommendation of a young couple that has left Wayne county. The Citizen extends heartiest congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Barnes. The young man is a son of Prothonotary and Mrs. Wallace J. Barnes of this place.

INSPECTING BRIDGES OVER STATE WATERWAYS.

F. E. Langenheim, of Harrisburg, who is connected with the State Waterway Commission, was in Honesdale Wednesday inspecting the state waterways and the bridges that cross over state streams. All bridges were found to be in good condition by the State inspector. T. Y. Boyd, commissioners' clerk, took Mr. Langenheim around to the bridges in the immediate vicinity of Honesdale and Wednesday afternoon drove the waterway representative to Milford in his car. Mr. Boyd expected to remain in Milford over night so that he could attend the ball game between Milford and Honesdale which was played there Thursday.

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