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## PJMONA GRANGE HELD MEETING LAST MONDAY

Owing to the late trains, the advertised program was somewhat changed but this did not detract in any way from the success of the meeting. It was unquestionably one of the most interesting and most profitable Grange meetings ever held in Patton.

During the afternoon, Mr. W. H. Denlinger was invited to address the audience which he did in a half hour speech, referring principally to the war situation and the necessity of every person getting behind the United States Government and supporting it to the limit. He urged the members to become actively identified with the Red Cross movement and subscribe liberally to U. S. Government Certificate Stamps and Thrift Stamps.

The evening session was open to the public. The Grange Hall was crowded with a very interested audience. Dr. P. J. Kelly, one of the Four-Minute speakers delivered a very timely address which was well received by his audience. Jas. A. McCann, Lancaster, Pa., delivered one of the best addresses it has been the writers pleasure to hear for a long time. He gave his audience something to think about. He sketched what he claims to be the false, economic conditions existing in Europe and America, particularly during the past twenty-five or thirty years, claiming that labor has not had its just reward and that this war is the penalty the world is paying for its injustices to the masses, and that a new condition would exist in the world after the war is over. While he did not criticize the man who has accumulated millions honestly, yet he criticized a system which makes it possible for a few men to control the wealth of this country while so many else are mere existence. It was not an attack upon wealth. He was not a socialist and does not advocate socialist principles, but he did in a very forcible manner present to his audience some new thoughts which made his address very interesting. He is a man of large experience, pleasing address and has a very interesting and strong personality. Mr. John McCann, Ebensburg, Pa., delivered one of his characteristically strong Red Cross speeches which stirred his audience frequently to applause and tears. Mr. McCann complimented the Red Cross of Patton most highly for the work they had done and urged his audience to give them unlimited support. Mr. L. Strayer entertained the audience with a recitation and a song entitled "Have Courage to Say No My Boy" both of which were highly entertaining.

The members of the Grange provided a large amount of fruit and food supplies which were auctioned off by Mr. D. M. Bearer, who proved himself to be a first class auctioneer, and if we were compelled to pay the Grangers the price for apples, preserved fruit, vegetables, etc. that he succeeded in getting, the Grangers would all be millionaires and the rest of us paupers. The audience was in a very cheerful mood and the bidding quite spirited. Our Granger friends not only furnished the food supplies but purchased them back at the auction at exceedingly liberal prices. Dr. P. J. Kelly carried off the banner however as a bidder, having paid \$3.00 for a jar of jelly. Apples were sold at from \$1.00 to \$2.00 a dozen. Many of the town people went home laden with enough fruit to keep them supplied for many days. The net proceeds of this sale were \$46.79. In addition to this, twelve of the members of the Grange handed in their names as members of the Red Cross after paying \$1.00 for membership, making a total receipt of \$68.79 which was far beyond the expectations of the most sanguine. We regret that there were not more of our town people present.

The Officers of the Red Cross take this opportunity to thank the members of the Grange for their generosity in this matter. The money realized will be used by the ladies for some special work they have in mind.

Triangle service at the Grand Saturday night.

## MRS. MACUSO IS SENT TO MORGANZA SCHOOL OTHER SENTENCES ARE IMPOSED

Carl Steuer Was First New Official Sworn in Yesterday

EBENSBURG, Jan. 7.—Mrs. Josephine Macuso, convicted of manslaughter at the December term of court for shooting to death Barto Glass at Frugality Nov. 15, was today sentenced to the Pennsylvania Industrial school at Morganza. Mrs. Macuso is not yet 18 years old and has never had any educational benefits. Other sentences imposed today were:

Pat Cummins, aggravated assault and battery, \$10 fine, costs and six months in jail.  
Joe Gallagher, malicious mischief, 90 days in jail.  
William Hoyer, larceny, costs and further sentence suspended until argument court.  
Rudolph Cornelius Schanschoff, felonious assault and battery, costs, \$10 fine and six months in jail. Schanschoff is a Russian. He admitted cutting two men during a boarding house brawl at Blandburg, but said he was compelled to do it in self defense.

Wasil Kotscho, defrauding a boarding house keeper, costs, \$10 fine and stand committed until the board bill is paid.

Fagan Jenkins, colored, native of Alabama, breaking and entering, costs \$10 fine and sentenced to Huntingdon reformatory.

Ben Miller, larceny, costs, \$10 fine and 10 months in jail. Judge Stephens made little allowance for this defendant's plea for leniency, saying that Miller's father-in-law had informed him that he was not of much account and did not provide for his family as he should.

Bailor Stufko, violating mine laws, costs, \$5 fine and 30 days in the county jail. All of the above-named defendants, excepting the woman, the finding of true bills and entered pleas of guilty.

After disposing of motions and petitions and dispensing sentences, naturalization court was opened. The courtroom was well filled with persons seeking naturalization papers, accompanied by their friends whom they brought with them to help them through. It was perhaps the most intelligent-looking gathering of aliens yet seen in Ebensburg.

Carl Steuer, who today became successor as county detective to Sheriff Roscoe C. Custer, was the first new official sworn in today, the oath of office being administered in the clerk of courts' office downstairs, and for an hour Custer had no job. He was sworn in as sheriff at high noon by Prothonotary George Walker Williams, who also administered the oath to Poor Director John L. Evans and Jury Commissioners Robert S. Lytle and Phil S. Gordon. Gordon and Lytle at once got down to work and began filling the jury wheel for the year 1918, assisted by their clerk, Squire A. J. Waters of Ebensburg. More names than usual are being placed in the wheel this year, and more venue-men will be drawn to serve at each term of court than heretofore. There has been a shortage of taleamen at almost every term of court, owing to the large number of persons drawn who wish to be excused from service for various reasons.

## "BETSY ROSS"

A romantic love story with the fire of youth making it fascinatingly glowing and life-like is one of the charming features of "Betsy Ross," the new World-Picture Brady-Made which will be shown at the Majestic theatre on Friday, January 18 with Alice Brady as the star. Romance is the predominant feature in this production, although the romance centers around the great historical event of the making of the first American flag. The story is replete with startling incidents, with surprising turns and with beautiful and effective scenes. Alice Brady is immensely pleasing in the title role. The whole production is a treat.

## NOTICE

On transcription of the high cost of transportation and everything connected with the motion picture business, we are family compelled to advance our prices a little. Starting Monday, January 14th, the price of admission at the Majestic Theatre will, however, include the war tax.

## QUESTIONNAIRES HAVE ALL BEEN SENT OUT

The last of the Questionnaires for District No. 4 of this county were mailed by the local board yesterday. As the questionnaires are returned after being filled out by the registrants, classification cards are sent to the registrants by the local board. These classification cards take the place of the registration cards previously issued and in addition to the notation of classification contain the serial and order number of the registrant. There has been a little confusion among some of the registrants in this district, some of the registrants thinking that they must again report to the local board upon receipt of these classifications. These classification cards are for the purpose of informing the registrant in what classification he has been listed by the local board. If this classification compares with the marks the registrant has made on his questionnaire there can be no appeal made to the classification. If the classification has been cut down by the local board, the registrant can, if he feels justified, appeal to the District Board only.

## PATTON DEFEATS BAKERTON

A very interesting bowling match was held last Monday night at the Grand Bowling Room when the Patton team defeated the team from Bakerton by 91 points. The two teams were closely matched and both played a splendid game. The line-up follows:

Patton		Bakerton	
Hunter	135	137	136
Novick	156	121	119
Fitz	137	142	124
Duncan Wilkie	133	100	165
Stiney	145	139	142
706		649	
686		686	
Bakerton		Patton	
Kelly	118	93	137
Frankosky	149	148	152
Frank	142	120	119
Stancha	101	127	98
Grillo	178	145	123
688		633	
639		639	
Patton		Bakerton	
2041		1950	

Other high scores for the week were: Duncan Wilkie, 233-255; Ruby Huber, 226; Robert Hunter 227.

## THOSE ATTENDING THE RED CROSS ROOMS

The following is a list of the members who have been sewing and knitting in the Red Cross rooms on the following days:

January 3, 1918.  
Mrs. Lyons, Mrs. Isidore Strittmatter, Mrs. Whitehead, Mrs. Harry Hoover, Mrs. Jos. Karlhime, Mrs. Pius Yahnner, Mrs. Jas. Mellon, Mrs. MacWilliams, Mrs. Kusner, Mrs. Blankfield, Miss Ada Mellon, Mrs. Graebinger, Mrs. A. C. Winslow, Mrs. Mertens, Mrs. Reuel Somerville, Mrs. Lacus, Mrs. Denlinger.

January 5, 1918.  
Mrs. Lacus, Miss Gayman, Mrs. R. Somerville, Mrs. Sincos, Mrs. M. D. Beazer, Mrs. A. C. Winslow, Miss Ada Mellon, Mrs. Dengele, Mrs. Woerner, Mrs. Culp, Mrs. Burn, Mrs. Denlinger.

January 8, 1918.  
Mrs. Young, Mrs. Lacus, Delahis Farabough, Mrs. Patterson, Mrs. M. D. Beazer, Miss Ada Mellon, Miss Francis Mellon, Mrs. Kelly, Mrs. Dencie, Mrs. A. C. Winslow, Mrs. Lyons, Mrs. Burns, Mrs. Ed. Little, Mrs. Denlinger.

## ATTENDS IMPORTANT MEETING IN ALTOONA

Burgess M. H. Gardner was a business visitor in Altoona Thursday, where he attended an important meeting of the Altoona District Association of Ophthalmologists in the Chamber of Commerce Building.

Mr. Gardner has for some time been an active member of this important association and a regular attendant at its meetings.

Misses Francis and Ada Mellon, Helen and Loretto Prindible and Mrs. Geo. S. Good, Jr., attended a knitting party at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Anderson of Barnesboro Monday, in honor of Miss Jessie Anderson, who is a guest at the Anderson home.

## LETTERS FROM OUR SOLDIER BOYS

The following letters have been received lately from our soldier boys in different parts of the United States thanking the women of the Red Cross Society for the comfort kits which they sent them:

December 30th, 1917.  
Editor Patton Courier,  
Patton, Pa.

Dear Sir:  
Through the columns of your paper I wish to thank the Patton Branch of the Red Cross Society for the comfort kit which they sent me. It sure does come in handy and contains everything needful for the comfort of a soldier. The Red Cross is surely doing a great work for the boys in Uncle Sam's service.

I am a member of a company composed of men from Franklin and Huntingdon and practically all of them have received sweaters and wristlets from their home branches of the Red Cross. I first belonged to Company F of the 8th N. G. P. but the 16th N. G. P. and the 8th N. G. P. were united and are now the 112 U. S. Inf. and there is no N. G. P.

I will now close again thanking the Red Cross for their kindness and the editor for the publication of this letter.

Respectfully,  
Corporal E. R. Martz,  
Co. F 112 U. S. Inf.,  
Camp Hancock,  
Augusta, Ga.

December 25, 1917.

Ladies of the Red Cross,  
Patton, Pa.

We wish to thank you for the donation of the comfort kits. We could not do without them. It's "where's my kit?" here and "where's my kit?" there all the time.

We are located in Camp Grant, Ill., and are getting fine treatment on all sides. The boys from Patton are all separated but we hope to be together again some time in the near future. It is somewhat colder out here than in Ohio.

None of us have had any mail from home as yet. We will be here one month and then be sent down south. We, the undersigned are now at this address. Wishing you all a Happy New Year.

Edward J. Callens,  
Alex. Montiech, Jr.,  
Philip J. Mitchell,  
John J. Callahan.

Columbus, Ohio, Jan. 2, 1918.  
W. H. Denlinger, Chairman,  
Red Cross Association,  
Patton, Pa.

Not wishing to take too much of your valuable time, I want to thank you for the Red Cross outfit I received this morning. I am nursing in the Surgical Ward of the general hospital and am on night duty this month so was in bed when the mailman brought the kit, but when I awoke and saw where the package was from it did not take me long to get to the inside of it. If you could only see how eagerly a soldier rips the wrapping from a package, you could then realize how he enjoys getting a package or letter from his friends. And let me say this, that everything in the kit will always be of use to the soldier. In the first place, the articles are all kept together in the kit, which is one very important thing necessary for a soldier, for everything is done in minutes in the army and if your soap or toothbrush should get misplaced, it would be impossible to waste one or two minutes trying to find it, for you may be late for roll call and that is a mark against your conduct, for the first offense, and the second time you may be sent to the guard house, so you can see that a soldier must always be awake and active.

Give my regards to my friends and to the good old town of Patton. Although I have been away from there for the past year or so, it is my birthplace and I will always have a good word for the town and its good people.

Wishing you all kinds of success in your Red Cross work and again thanking you for the kit, I remain  
Yours truly,  
Private Robert G. Matley,  
Post M. D.,  
Columbus Barracks,  
Columbus, Ohio.

## THREE TIPSTAVES NAMED BY COURT; MULHOLLEN IS MADE CRIER TO SUCCEED VETERAN

EBENSBURG, Jan. 7.—Cambria county today had \$4,000 more a year added to her already large payroll when President Judge M. B. Stephens in a written decree sprung a distinct surprise on the public as well as those in attendance at court by appointing three new tipstaves and William E. Mulhollen, the outgoing sheriff, court crier. The court crier will receive \$1,000 per year and each of the tipstaves receive that sum. Until today, Edmund J. Humphrey of Ebensburg, had been official court crier. He is a veteran of the Civil war and has held the position of court crier for 25 years and seven months. The decree of Judge Stephens today abolished Mr. Humphrey's office, at the latter's request, and gave it to the ex-sheriff who a few moments before had finished a four-year term in the sheriff's office. Mr. Humphrey told the court some time ago that his age was beginning to affect his hearing and asked to be relieved. However, the decree that revokes his appointment makes him a tipstaff, at the same salary. In addition to Mr. Humphrey, Jesse N. Bolsinger, a veteran of the Civil war, has assisted in the courtroom work as tipstaff. He still retains that position. But the staff of court officers has been increased from two to six, and the salary increase aggregately is just \$4,000 a year.

Following is the decree of the court, verbatim, which sets forth the other appointments:

Order of court relating to the revocation and appointment of a court crier and tipstaves for the several courts of Cambria county:

"Now, Jan. 7, 1918, the appointment of Edmund J. Humphrey to the position of court crier is hereby revoked.

"That William E. Mulhollen is appointed to be court crier to take effect at once.

"That Edmund J. Humphrey is appointed tipstaff to take effect at once.

"That James Kelley is appointed tipstaff to take effect at once.

"That John T. Blair is appointed tipstaff to take effect the first Monday of March, 1918.

"That Joseph J. Davis is appointed tipstaff to take effect on the first Monday of March, 1918.

"That the appointments above made will continue and be in force until further order of the court.

"The appointees herein named are to be paid by Cambria county in monthly installments, such compensation as is provided by law, and shall perform such duties as pertain to their respective appointments as officers of the said several courts of Cambria county.

"It is further ordered that while on duty these court officers shall be dressed in the regulation uniform which is or may be hereafter adopted by the court.

"By Order Court,  
"MARLIN B. STEPHENS,  
"President Judge."

The appointments came as a complete surprise to everybody, and this afternoon some very caustic comments were indulged in rather freely by people here discussing the matter. With conservation urged on every hand during war times and with courthouse improvements undergoing what will cost the taxpayers possibly three-quarters of a million dollars before their completion, insisted upon by the courts when the board of county commissioners chose to exercise their own discretion in the premises, plenty of food for comment and criticism is furnished. Taxpayers are not taking kindly to the program. The fine fat plum of a possible life's job descending so abruptly into the lap of an outgoing sheriff who has had a tenure of office paying a big salary for four years is looked upon with askance by many. It is argued that even the ultra-rich are cutting down household expenses and curtailing retinues of servants in these days of high prices and war times, in order to conserve for the benefit of the country. Why, then, should the courts increase their staff of attendants at such salaries when the court attendants are only called upon five or six times a year during sessions to render any real service in return for the money paid them? some contend.

"The Auction Block" was the first big special made by the Goldwyn Picture Corporation. Nevertheless, it is not a regular Goldwyn program picture but a big special production of this company.

## MEETING OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL LAST MONDAY

The Borough Council met in regular session Monday night, January 7, with President Prindible, Calahan, Collar, Kelsall, Rogers and Short present. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Tax Collector Gill presented a list of exonerations amounting to \$437.64. Motion was duly seconded. Exonerations granted.

The following bills were read and on motion, duly seconded, orders were granted for same:

Grange Natl. Bank, (Int. on old orders) .....	\$99.92
Dr. S. W. Worrell .....	150.00
M. J. Shannon .....	25.00
D. G. Dumm .....	70.00
P. H. Biller .....	19.75
Patton Water Co. ....	81.00
Star Printing Co. ....	2.75
D. G. Dumm .....	.65
W. J. Gill .....	75.00
John Zahursky .....	75.00

Having no other business on hand the council adjourned.

Reorganization. ....  
The Borough Council met for the purpose of reorganization Monday night. Ex-Burgess Long administered the oath of office to Burgess-elect, M. E. Gardner and invested him with the badge of authority.

Burgess Gardner then administered the oath of office to Councilmen-elect, Calahan, Kelsall and Crowell.

The clerk called the new Council to order and Councilman Prindible was unanimously re-elected President.

The various officers were elected: D. G. Dumm, secretary; The Grange National Bank, treasurer; Reuel Somerville, solicitor; W. J. Gill, Chief of Police; John Zahursky, night police. The election of Borough Engineer was deferred for present. M. J. Kruse was elected Street Commissioner.

On motion, duly seconded, the salaries of the various officers remain the same as the preceding year.

The new light on McGee Avenue was, on vote of council, directed to be placed at the alley near the Spot Cash Store.

Upon motion, duly seconded, the Council then adjourned.

## "AUCTION BLOCK" PRESENTS EIGHT DISTINCT THEMES

The average writer of motion picture scenarios is doing pretty well. It is generally agreed, when he gets one interesting story into a picture, Rex Beach has put eight into his motion picture version of his own successful novel, "The Auction Block."

"The Auction Block" tells three love stories—the story of the love Lorelei Knight, beautiful victim of society's auction block, and Bob Hammond, graceless son of the steel castle dramatic critic and the girl advertised by her press agent for theatrical purposes as "the wickedest woman in the world," and the story of a mill girl and the rich man who loved her.

There are three melodramas in the picture—the story of the fall of Jimmy Knight, Lorelei's wayward brother, into the clutches of Malcher, the millionaire; the love story of the blackmailer; the counterplot, engineered by the police, that rounds up these criminals, and the story of the vengeance of a woman who became an adventuress in the night life of the big city for no other purpose than to avenge the death of her father.

There is also a picturization of the night life of New York and a daring prologue.

This feature will be shown at the Majestic Theatre, Friday, January 18, 1918.

## CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

At the Calvary Chapel Sunday School 10:30 A. M. Let us try to get everybody to be there. Evening worship 6:00 P. M. Pastor Zwager will preach on "The Only Way." General prayer meeting Friday, 7:30 P. M. Everybody welcome to all meetings.

Notwithstanding the very bad weather, nearly all the members at the Communion last Sunday evening. The new year opened with great cause for rejoicing because of the progress made during the past year.