

Court Aides' Salary Dispute Is Heard Friday By Judge Bell

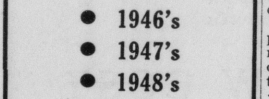
Cambria County's problem concerning the pay of court employees was dumped into another judicial lap last Friday.

Judge F. Cortez Bell of Clearfield county Friday heard arguments in the case at the Ebensburg courthouse.

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McGee Recaptured On Colver Street

State Police from Ebensburg last Thursday evening captured McGee, a Heshbon, Pa., coal miner, who escaped about a week previously from the Torrancia State Hospital.

McGee was apprehended as he walked along a street in Colver. He was said to have offered no resistance.

Pennsylvania Lists Bumper Potato Crop This Year

Housewives in Pennsylvania are promised all the potatoes their families can eat. The State Agricultural Dept. says that with a record high average per acre yield of 185 to 175 bushels, it's a nearly 20,000,000-bushel crop for Pennsylvania this year.

The department already has listed the corn and tobacco crops as "bumper," but it calls the potato yield "really a bumper crop."

Signs of Almost Vanishing Race Left Behind in State

Indian Place Names Abound in This Area

From the redmen, we have received a heritage in Indian place names in Pennsylvania—names filled with impressive historical importance. No state in the nation is richer in Indian names, or in fact, in Indian history.

Many of the names can hardly be recognized as being of Indian origin because the change from the forms they once had. For example, Salunga is a part of the name Salungama; Toby came from a part of the name Topihanna; Coplay is a derivative of Copecham; Dagus is a part of the name Daguschonda; Yough came from Youghiohenny and so on through the list of more than 500 names. Some of the names of places in Pennsylvania may not be of Indian origin at all, but they have been made up of Indian sounds.

The Dept. of Commerce reveals that there are about 10,200 place names in Pennsylvania, not including names of streams. Of this number about 480 are Indian names, historic or otherwise.

The following counties have Indian names: Allegheny, Erie, Indiana, Juniata, Lackawanna, Lehigh, Lycoming, Montour, Susquehanna, Tioga, Venango, and Beaver should probably be added, as its name is a translation of the Indian name Tamaque or Am-eck, meaning Beaver.

Of the 67 counties in Pennsylvania, only 13 of them do not include one or more townships with names of Indian origin.

The Allegheni have left behind them a new name—Allegheny—their mounds, and little else except a legend that they were wiped out in war with two invaders from beyond the Mississippi, the Lenape, better known as the Delaware and the Mengwe, or Iroquois. The two conquerors divided the territory, the Iroquois going to the Lake region and the

Delaware to the South

The Delaware was a member of North America's greatest Indian family—the Algonkians. The group was split into clans: the Munsee, Wolf; Unami, Turtle; and the Unilachtigo, Turkey, and occupied the whole basin of the Delaware River. In William Penn's time, their council fire, or capital, was Shackamaxon, near Germantown.

Many welcoming overtures were made by them to the white men with the hopes of winning protection from the Iroquois, but in 1720, they fell under the domination of the tribe.

Other Algonkian tribes were the Shawnees who settled on the Susquehanna, and the Mohicans from New York. The chief of the Shawnees signed a treaty with the western Indians, as overlords of eastern tribes and holders of the balance of power between the French and English during Colonial wars, they were an important factor in Pennsylvania history.

The Susquehannocks and Andastes were independent Iroquois tribes who lived along the Susquehanna river. They were attacked by members of the Five Nations Iroquois and were destroyed as a nation in 1654 as were also the Eries.

It is apparent from the above brief resume of the history of Pennsylvania Indians that many names were taken from tribal titles, later to become connected in whole or in part, with commonwealth cities, townships, streams or mountains.

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