

THE TIMES.

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The Effects of High Prices.

Hon. Hugh McCullough, a former Secretary of the Treasury, thinks the recent advance in the prices of nearly all kinds of American goods—an advance which in rapidity and extent is without example even in the United States, is most injuriously affecting our foreign trade, upon which the country most largely depends for permanent prosperity.

Miscellaneous News Items.

The Newark celluloid works were blown to atoms on Monday of last week, and three persons were killed.

The cashier of the Commonwealth national bank of Saratoga has been arrested on a charge of embezzlement.

A man named Bennett attempted suicide with laudanum, at Mt. Blanchard, because of the refusal of a young lady to marry him. She went for a physician and saved him.

A young lady of Easton began the use of white lead on her face instead of powder. Consequently her right side is paralyzed, and for the past few days she has been constantly vomiting.

RENSSELAIR FALLS, N. Y., Jan. 7.—William M'Mini, while working close to his house yesterday, was shot by some unknown party. He crawled about 100 yards and died. The body was found last night.

MEMPHIS, January 6.—At Landis, Miss., on last Saturday night John Harris, a deputy sheriff of Panola County, while seated in his office was shot and mortally wounded by an unknown party. Scandal is said to be at the bottom of the affair.

A twelve year old girl fell on the ice while skating in the Montreal Street Rink, Toronto, on Friday night. Before she could rise, two men, who were skating together, came in collision with her. One struck her in the forehead with a skate, rendering her insensible, and the other fell upon her, breaking her ribs.

The prisoners confined in the Franklin County [Ohio] jail made a break for liberty at five o'clock Monday evening, just after the new sheriff had assumed charge, and nine escaped through the entrance door. James Herrell, alias Kerr, indicted for murder in the first degree, and J. W. Dodge, indicted for stabbing, are among the missing.

BUFFALO, January 6.—Two unsuccessful attempts were made to wreck a train on the New York Central road, between Niagara Falls and Tonawanda, by placing rails and ties on the track. The locomotive brushed aside one obstruction, and the train was brought to a standstill as it reached the other. No arrests were made.

The correspondent of the Raleigh News from Harnett County, N.C., says that at a recent marriage there a young man present "forbid the bans," asserting that the lady had promised to marry him. She said she had, but that he had "foolled out" too long, and that she now meant business, and directed the Squire to proceed.

A week or two ago a very prominent man of Sumter County was having some hogs killed, and his wife was trying to get the lard, when her clothing caught fire, instantly enveloping her in flames. Her young children, seeing her peril, ran for assistance and succeeded in tearing a burning mass from her body, burning their little heroic hands in their effort to save their mother, who was not hurt by a touch of fire to her person, while every shred of her clothing was destroyed.

Wednesday afternoon, while the Johnston express, eastward bound, was passing Mount Joy, a Mrs. Baker, accompanied by her child, attempted to drive across the track at the road crossing, in view of the approaching train, and before the vehicle got out of the way the rear end of it was struck by the engine, and Mrs. Baker and her child both thrown out on the side of the track and considerably injured. Both mother and child will survive their injuries.

A special dispatch from Jerseyville, Ill., says that Clement Rowden, a mail carrier, living near Rosedale, Jersey County, was called out of his house at dusk on Monday evening, and shot dead on the spot, ten buckshot entering his breast. The shooting is supposed to have been done by Benjamin Spry, accompanied by his two brothers and Peter Grosjean, be-

tween whom and Rowden an old grudge existed. After the killing Rowden's wife followed the murderers a short distance, but they mounted horses and fled.

A dispatch from Cleveland dated Jan. 6, says Leonard Case, a very wealthy resident of that city, died early this morning under circumstances which give rise to suspicion of suicide. He was found lying on the floor, and near by was a saucer which contained chloroform. Case was a bachelor, nearly sixty years of age, and was worth between three and four millions of dollars. He was noted for his charitable gifts, having donated, some years ago, a large block of ground to the Cleveland library.

A special dispatch from Lake Providence says: City Marshal Maguire was shot and killed while attempting to arrest a number of flatboat men. Five men were arrested on suspicion and placed under guard. On Monday night several of Maguire's relatives broke into the prison and opened fire, wounding every prisoner, two of them mortally. The coroner's inquest discovered that the murderer of Maguire, a man named James Brown, had not been arrested, but had escaped in a skiff. The men killed and wounded by Maguire's relatives were innocent.

CINCINNATI, January 6.—A special dispatch from Brownsville, Tenn., says that George Williams, a negro, who was in jail there for stealing, knocked down his keeper and escaped. He was recaptured, but while being handcuffed, he snatched the jailor's pistol and fired two shots at him, and reached the head of the stairs, where a negro tripped him and he fell to the bottom, firing at his pursuers as he lay there. Jumping up, he fired at Henry Oppenheimer, who stood in his way. Oppenheimer returned the shot, the ball striking Williams near the heart. He died shortly after.

ADDITIONAL LOCAL MATTER.

[Reported by Chas. H. Smiley, Esq.]

Court Proceedings.—The January term had more than the usual amount of interest connected with it from the fact that it was to produce a change on the Bench and introduce a new occupant to the Prothonotary Office. After court convened the commission of Hon. Wm. Grier was read aloud and he took the seat vacated by Judge Blair. A. B. Grosh, Esq., the recently elected Prothonotary, had already been sworn and entered upon the duties of his office.

Of the retiring officers it is only just to say that Judge Blair leaves the Court with the profound respect of the Bar, and the confidence of the people whom he has served alike with credit to them and himself. His successor, Judge Grier, has all the necessary qualifications, and his efficiency as a public officer is too well known to leave any doubt of the faithful discharge of his duties. In returning from the Prothonotary's Office, Capt. Mickey carries with him a larger experience than any other ex-Prothonotary in the county, and the Bar and the people lose in him an honest, intelligent and obliging official. The new incumbent, Mr. Grosh has business qualifications and a gentlemanly deportment which will also win for him popularity in the office of his veteran predecessor. But little delay was caused by the changes above mentioned and the constables were called, sworn and their return received. From among their number John Saylor, Levi Trostle and Henry Rinesmith were selected to attend court during the week. The Grand Jury were called, sworn and after receiving the usual charge of the Court, were sent out upon their deliberations. After the disposal of some miscellaneous business in accordance with a rule established by Judge Junkin at the last term, the surety of the Peace cases were called. The first two on the list were the Commonwealth vs. Elizabeth Jones, and Com. vs. Mathew McCoy and Isaac McCoy. These cases were both foled by the same occurrence which may be designated as a little fight between neighbors. The battle ground was located on the top of the high hills of Penn twp., which overlook the shining waters of the peaceful Susquehanna, in the neighborhood of the Acqueduct. For some time Elizabeth Jones has occupied a lot of ground which Wm. McCoy claims to have crowded over the boundary line of his farm, but Elizabeth has lived on in spite of protest and has partly employed her time in raising a numerous flock of chickens and turkeys. In two fields opposite her dwelling, McCoy planted corn during the past summer, and the fowls of Mrs. Jones undertook to assist him in raising the crop. By their assistance the seed came up even before it had sprouted, and all through the summer the crop received their constant and unremitting attention. When the corn was husked and lay on piles, with the full consent, and aided and abetted by Mrs. Jones they continued their predatory incursions until the son of Mr. McCoy, the defendants above named shot some of the more adventurous ones while engaged in the very act of stuffing their craws. Like the adventurous dame of "Frederick town," Elizabeth rose at her attic window in the protection of her property and leveling her fowling piece at the destroyer of her fowls, discharged its contents at them. While the smoke of her domestic artillery was settling down upon the hills, she fled away to a neighboring Justice and lodged an information against Matthew and Isaac, who after their arrest also had a warrant issued for her and thus the cases came up. After a patient investigation the Court dismissed the prosecution against Matthew and Isaac McCoy, and directed the prosecutor to pay the costs, and in the other case, directed Elizabeth Jones also to pay the costs of prosecution, and

enter into a recognizance to keep the peace, etc., for one year. In the first case Barnett and District Atty Wallis for Com. Sponsor and Smiley contra. and in the second, District Atty Wallis, Sponsor and Smiley for Com. Barnett for contra. The third case called was

Com. vs. Wm. Metz—charge desertion, etc. No prosecutrix nor witnesses appearing, the District Attorney asked for the discharge of the prisoner, and he walked forth again a free citizen of our glorious Republic, greeted with the glory of the sunlight and the melody of the English sparrows which infest the Court House, and drop their compliments from the tops of the pilasters and the over-hanging cornice with democratic simplicity alike upon rich and poor, without distinction of sex, color or previous condition of servitude. District Atty Wallis for Com. Seibert for def't.

On Tuesday morning the first case on the civil list was George Martin and Jacob Wentz vs. Cynthia A. Adams, Jacob Smith, Elias Hollenbaugh, Simon P. Kern, David S. Kistler, John Wentz, John Harman, Thos. Seager, Catherine Adams, Jacob W. Miller and Wm. Seager. Some years since a plan originated for introducing water in pipes to the Borough of Blain, from a spring above the town, and by the original plan any citizen could obtain a water right by paying a certain stipulated sum. Subsequently an attempt was made to form a corporation to be called the "Blain Water Company," which was not an entire success. Extra expenses incurred by the contractor were paid by Jacob Wentz who sought to have the defendants make contributions. The defenses of the different parties were different in their character, a number claimed that they agreed to pay a stipulated sum for a water right and having paid it they were not bound either in law or equity to pay anything additional, and others had different reasons. The statute of limitation however intervened as a bar to recovery and the Court ordered a non suit. Sponsor for pliff. Barnett and Smiley for def't's.

The next jury was sworn to try the case of The Peoples' Freight Railway vs. Solomon Beistline. This remarkable corporation has been so long and so prominently before the people of the county that any dissertation upon it would only be giving the readers of these proceedings another instalment of ancient history. It is only necessary therefore so say that the defendant was sued three times for separate instalments of his subscription before a Justice of the Peace and each time he appealed. All three appeals were tried together and in each case the jury returned a verdict for def't. Sponsor and Junkin for pliff. Barnett and M'Intire for def't.

After the disposal of this case the quarter sessions were opened, and a jury was empaneled to try whether Jacob Bowers was the father of about fifteen pounds avoirdupois of infantile humanity that Sarah Agnes Sheaffer brought down from Madison twp., to find its father. The prosecutrix was conspicuous mainly by reason of her being enveloped in a large sunbonnet and her refusal to answer the necessary pertinent questions. The respective counsel looked down the long calico lane which ended at her face and endeavored to get her answers but they were few in number and unsatisfactory in their character. The defendant looked meek and unconcerned as the man in the old Biblical picture of Daniel in the lions' den, and when he had his say positively denied that the little waif was flesh of his flesh and blood of his blood. The evidence was meagre on both sides, and the jury rendered a verdict of not guilty and the county to pay costs of prosecution. Dist. Atty. Wallis for Com. Seibert for def't.

Com. vs. Adam Rahm was a case which seemed to excite more than the usual amount of interest manifested in such matters. The def't. was a lad of apparently about 16 years of age and was charged by the Rev. G. W. Kirafoe with disturbing a religious meeting at Snyder's church in Wheatfield twp., a short time since. It seems that in this portion of the church militant there has been misbehavior for some time past by a portion of the congregation, and the reverend prosecutor resolved to take upon himself the responsibility of bringing the sons of Belial and young violators of the church regulations into conformity to the orthodox rules announced by him for the government of his protracted meeting. On the night of his arrest the def't. gave offense by his alleged misconduct. The pastor had him arrested and appeared as his chief accuser. The jury found the boy not guilty and directed the prosecutor to pay costs. Dist. Atty. Wallis for Com. M'Intire for def't.

Com. vs. Daniel Ebert was a case in which def't. was charged with having gotten a watch from Jane Gibbs by representing himself as a watchmaker from Blain named Wm. Woods and thus committed the statutory offense of False Pretense. The explanation given by def't. was that he had gotten the watch, giving the address of Wm. Woods as the place where a letter would reach him, and that in accordance with an arrangement made at the time, he left the watch at the store of Samuel Smith at Sbermansdale, who was to receive the pay for services rendered, and deliver the watch when called for. This statement was in the main corroborated by Mr. Smith and after a discussion of the legal status of the case by counsel, the jury were instructed by the Court that the defendant should be acquitted.—Verdict not guilty, and County to pay costs of prosecution. Dist. Atty. Wallis for Com. Seibert for def't.

The next case Com. vs. John Sanderson.—Indictment, Aggravated Assault, Pros. James Lewis. The def't. is the proprietor of a hotel in New Germantown, and holds a license to sell what Charles Lamb once called "liquid damnation." It seems that on a certain night in October last, both prosecutor and def't. had gotten themselves outside of a sufficient amount of fighting whisky to find themselves in the same condition as the individual who labored with commendable perseverance to wind his watch with a boot-jack. The liquor proved to be inflammable matter on the coals of an old grudge, which blazed into an altercation, in the bar room of the

hotel. In demonstrating the truth of the proposition that he was the better man of the two, Sanderson combed the head of the prosecutor with a bar room stool. This tonsorial operation severed an artery above the temple and left a gash on the head of Lewis, "not so deep as a well nor so wide as a church door," but sufficient for the purpose of ending the fight. Some interesting facts were developed in this case among which were the following, viz; 1st, when a man desires to have a drink of our national beverage in that place he simply requests the landlord to make a demonstration; 2nd, when the landlord demonstrates, the result to almost a moral certainty, is a fight; and 3d, when a fight occurs somebody gets hurt, and good fellows (when they let whisky alone) are sure to get into trouble. The jury returned a verdict of guilty of Assault and Battery and not of an aggravated assault, and the battle of Germantown cost the def't. a fine of \$15.00, the costs of prosecution and the issuing of a rule to show cause why his license should not be revoked. Dist. Atty. Wallis and Sponsor for Com. Barnett for def't.

Com. vs. Wm. B. Cook.—Indictment Perjury, prosecutor George Loah. Some time since Mr. Loah brought suit against the defendant to recover the price of five bushels of wheat. On the trial, def't. swore that when his father's barn was burned down on the farm of which he was the tenant, some months previous, that the prosecutor had promised to give him a load of hay and the wheat in question, without asking any pay therefor. The prosecutor admitted making a gift of the hay, but not of the wheat, and that the defendant's oath in regard to the grain was false. Verdict of not guilty and prosecutor to pay costs. Dist. Atty. Wallis and Sponsor for Com. Sponsor for def't.

Com. vs. Wm. Shields. The def't. was indicted in various ways arising out of the same charge but was tried upon an indictment charging him with 1st, rape; 2d, attempt to commit rape; 3d, adultery. The def't. is a married man, living in Toboyne twp. The prosecutrix, Lydia Hoover is a young girl aged about fourteen years. In the month of February last, she was employed as a domestic in the family of the defendant, and while in the early hours of the morning of a certain day she was feeding the calves at the barn the citadel of her virtue was attacked, the walls of her chastity were broken down and nought left by the triumphant intruder, but the shattered remains of a ruined reputation. There was much evidence of a contradictory nature elicited during the trial, and after deliberating for some time the jury returned a verdict of not guilty. Dist. Atty. Wallis and Barnett for Com.—Sponsor and M'Allister for def't.

This case ended the criminal list, and the civil list was again resumed. The next case called was H. F. Alexander, for use of W. H. Minich vs. J. W. Thompson, W. E. Clemson, W. R. S. Cook and C. M. Clemson. In the latter part of September, 1877, B. F. Alexander of Newport, was the owner of a market car that ran between that place and Philadelphia. Being desirous of selling it he finally concluded a bargain with J. W. Thompson and W. E. Clemson, who gave him for the price thereof a note dated Sep. 24, 1877, due in one year, for the sum of \$300, with interest, signed by Thompson and W. E. Clemson as principals and W. R. S. Cook and C. M. Clemson as bail. The figure 4 in the date was plainly made over a figure 3, and an examination of Jno. Bear's Almanac, which is always an undisputed authority in a Perry County Court, showed the 23d day of Sep. 1877 to be Sunday. This note was afterwards assigned to W. H. Minich, who entered it on record on the County Docket. Two of the def't's, the Messrs. Clemson made application and had the judgment opened on the grounds that there was an alteration of the date and an insertion of the words "with interest," after the note had been signed, and this constituted the grounds of defense, no allegation having been made of a want of consideration for the note. Thompson, one of the defendants swore that he had changed the date, after discovering the mistake and before any one of the parties had signed and Cook, a co-def't. believed the change was made before he had signed. The Messrs. Clemson swore the change was made after the note had been signed and delivered, but the jury chose to believe that they were mistaken and gave for the pliff. a verdict of \$350.10, of which \$15. were coll. fees. M'Intire, Junkin and Liggett for pliff.—Sponsor for def't.

C. Thudum vs. Abraham Shearer, was an action upon a scire facias to receive a judgment. Certain transactions had been carried on for some years between the parties, and two judgments had been entered by plaintiff against defendant, one in 1869 and the other in 1874. One of these was collected by process of law, and when a revival of the lien of the other was sought, the defendant alleged that it had been paid, but owing to the mental imbecility of the plaintiff for some time past, the different payments made had never been entered on record. Proff of payment being made on the trial the verdict was for defendant. Sponsor for pliff, McIntire and Smiley for def't.

Jno. Boyles, Administrator, &c. of Catharine Boyles, dec'd vs. George Burd. This was an action brought by the surviving husband of Catharine Boyles to recover the sum of \$200, which it was alleged she had loaned at different times to the defendant who was her brother.—The defense was that all the money Burd had ever borrowed from his sister, which was but a small sum, had been paid back. This case was the tail of the legal kite which had flown all week. The jury did not retire until about 10 o'clock on Saturday night, and a sort of a watch meeting was kept up by the members of the Bar and parties interested until the jury returned a little after 12 o'clock, and had a Sunday morning verdict recorded in favor of Plaintiff for \$100. A motion was made for a new trial. Sponsor for plaintiff, Barnett for defendant.

MOTION was made and reasons filed for a new trial in case of P. F. R. Co., vs. Solomon Beistline. Sponsor & Junkin, attorneys. Order of publication awarded Nowvick vs. Nowvick. Proceedings in divorce. McFaire, attorney. Proceeds of sale of Ganitt Hotel property in Newport to the extent of \$50, ruled into court at the instance of Mrs. Mary Sweger, a claimant of widow's dower. Smiley, attorney. Answer of administrators of Felix Geringer, dec'd, to rule granted upon them at instance of Sarah Light, to show cause why a certain sum of money should not be paid her. Sponsor, attorney. Margaret Lukenbaugh vs. Wm. S. Lukenbaugh. Decree of Divorce granted. Smiley, attorney. Minich's use vs. Kinter. Sheriff's Interpleader, time for for filing bond by claimant extended twenty days from 6 Jan. 1880. Jos. B. Lightner vs. Sarah J. Meadath and Jesse Meadath—A. fa. issued upon judgt. stayed until next argument court. Smiley Atty. Decree made revoking sale of real estate in Carroll township by C. Stouffer, assignee of Levi Sweger, to D. M. Bailey, and pluries order of sale awarded. Markel Atty. Sale of the mansion farm in Greenwood twp., by J. Blinhardt, assignee of Geo. Uland, to Wm. Lindsay for \$3,050. And the woodland to W. J. Harter for \$145, and confirmed. Sponsor Atty. Sale of real estate by J. Blinhardt, assignee of Jos. Ush, of Greenwood twp., to W. J. Harter for \$65, confirmed. Sponsor Atty. Sale of real estate by J. Blinhardt, assignee of Isaiah Hunter, to Abraham Hortling for \$900, confirmed. Sponsor Atty. Sale of real estate by David Keiser, assignee of Jno. Swartz, of Saville township, to Jacob Kochenderfer for \$2,775, confirmed. Sponsor Attorney. Geo. Wentz, Jno. W. Shuman, David Moreland, Geo. Garber, Daniel Gulshall, James Crowsner appointed viewers for a county bridge, over the head of Waggoner's mill dam in Madison township. Smiley Atty. Report of viewers changing part of public road from Landisburg to Carlisle near house of Fred. Beger to Oak Grove Furnace in Spring twp., confirmed. The other roads to which exceptions were filed were held over until next argument court. ORPHANS' COURT. Ab'rm Rohrer, administrator, &c. of Samuel Stern, dec'd, made report of sale of tract No. 4 in Jackson twp., to Wm. S. Gibbens for \$340; tract No. 7, situated in Horse Valley, to Wm. S. Gibbens for \$18.50; No. 6 a tract in Jackson twp., to A. J. Ferguson for \$47.46 which sales were confirmed, and an alias order granted to sell the remaining tracts yet unsold. Atkinson and Smiley attorneys. Decree made, authorizing Jon. Potter and Wm. Cumber, guardians of minor children, of Henry Deckard, dec'd, to appropriate funds in their hands for payment of debts of the estate of Henry Deckard, dec. Potter Atty. Decree made authorizing Jno. H. Ritter, guardian of Sarah E. Hostetter, to invest funds in the purchase of a recognizance given by her husband for purchase money of real estate.—Junkin Atty. E. B. Leonard, administrator, &c. of E. B. Leonard, Sr., late of Landisburg borough, dec'd, discharged upon his own application.—Junkin attorney. J. C. McAllister appointed auditor to state an account etc., in estate of Frederick Ayle of Centre twp., dec'd. Pottery Atty. Sale of real estate by Chas. R. Smith, Esq., etc., of Caroline H. Gantt dec'd, to Josiah Fickes for \$65 per acre; to Wm. O. Rhoads a town lot for \$340; to E. B. Weise, a town lot for \$150; to Isaac Graham a lot in Oliver twp., for \$17, all sold at private sale were confirmed. Markel Atty. In estate of Jno. Fouk of Carroll twp., dec'd, an order of sale to sell real estate not taken under proceedings in partition to Amos Fouk, adm'r., etc., and purpart No. 2, was allotted to Amos Fouk at the appraised value of \$367. Luffer Atty. Order of sale granted to Jno. S. Richey and Sarah Fleming to sell house and lot of Margaret Fleming, dec'd., in Carroll twp. Smiley attorney. Decree made authorizing Wm. Elce guardian of Jno. Harvey Briner and Clara A. Briner, to pay necessary expenses of his wards' education. Smiley Atty. Real granted on executors of David Sweger, late of Saville twp., dec'd., to show cause why real estate of decedent should not be sold for payment of debts. Smiley Atty. The following guardians were appointed:—Jno. Y. Hogentogier, guardian of Mary A. Nipples; Sponsor Atty. Chas. H. Smiley guardian Lindley L. Toland and Ida Toland. Sponsor Atty. Sale of House and lot in "Boro." of Newport by Geo. Fleisher, adm'r. of Isaac Shatto dec'd, to Mary Jane Long, for 990.00 dollars, confirmed. Sponsor, Atty. The following ord'r was made. And now to wit 9 January 1880, it is hereby ordered that the Orphans and Argument Court for the county of Perry for the year A. D. 1880 be held as follows: On Tuesday the 8th March 1880; On Tuesday the 8th June 1880; On Tuesday the 21 September 1880; On Tuesday the 21st December, 1880. To which terms the accounts of Executor, Administrators and Trustees shall be advertised for confirmation. BY THE COURT.

ORPHANS' COURT SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE. In pursuance of a decree of the Orphans' Court of Perry County, the undersigned, Administrator of John Fouk, late of Carroll township, deceased, will expose to sale by public outcry, on the premises, 1 1/2 miles north-east of Sbermansdale, on Friday, February 13th, 1880, at 10 o'clock A. M., the following described Real Estate to wit: A TRACT OF LAND, being the MANSION FARM bounded by lands of Levi Adams, William Sheaffer, Daniel Sweger, and others, containing 16 ACRES AND 78 PERCHES, and having thereon erected a Log Frame Weatherboarded House, AND BANK BARN, AND OTHER OUTBUILDINGS. There is a young APPLE ORCHARD and other fruit on the farm. There is a pump and also a good spring near the house, and water in some of the fields. The land is of the best quality and all cleared and in a good state of cultivation. This farm is situate in a good neighborhood and convenient to churches, schools and mills, and is well worthy the attention of purchasers. Persons desiring to see the property or wishing information should call on John W. Wallace, or the undersigned at Bloomfield. Also, at the same time and place, 14 ACRES OF WOODLAND, situate near the said farm, and being well set with chestnut and other timber. Terms easy and will be made known on day of sale. AMOS FOULK, Adm'r. WILSON LUFFER, Atty. January 13, 1880. HOTEL LICENSE. WHEREAS, it is the custom in many Counties of this Commonwealth, to publish the applications for license, with the names of those persons endorsing them, and the bondsmen and the owners of the property. And whereas, the last Convention of the Perry County Christian Temperance Association passed a resolution, ordering the Executive Committee to publish the same, this is to inform all persons interested, that the said names will be published before or about the first week in April of each year. By order of the Executive Committee. JOHN SHEATZ, Chairman.