

Small-pox In The Village

A flurry of excitement overspread Medina this week when it was learned that small-pox had been discovered in the town. The first case reported was that of Mary Humphrey, daughter of C. A. Humphrey of 586 South Elmwood street. Subsequently a younger brother was taken down with it, then the mother. All three cases have been pronounced not of the malignant type and the patients are responding to treatment.

The circumstances so far as can be learned are these. Mary Humphrey of Wooster, a relative of the local Humphrey family, has been spending the past two weeks here and returned to Wooster less than a week ago. Wooster has just been having a severe run of small-pox. The Wooster girl, according to Health Officer Loehr of the latter city, spent one day in school after her return from Medina, when she was stricken with the disease.

While in Medina the Humphrey girl spent considerable time in the schools, even assisting in the work of domestic science class. For a time also she assisted Mrs. Addie Miller in the latter's hair-dressing parlors on South Court street.

Immediately upon learning that the disease had been detected in Medina and that the schools had been exposed, Supt. Edmund directed that the school be closed and the rooms and school books fumigated. This was Tuesday noon and they were ordered closed until Thursday morning, when each pupil would be required to report with a certificate showing that he or she had been vaccinated. The following day it was decided to close the schools at least until Monday. As a further precaution, Mayor Randall, not only upon his own initiative, but acting upon the advice of the local physicians school board, clergy and prominent citizens, directed that the churches, lodges, theater and all places of public gathering be closed until further notice. Also that all school children remain at their respective homes. It should be distinctly understood that this order from the mayor goes further than a request—it is mandatory. It is for the purpose of reducing to the minimum the chances of the village suffering a run of contagion.

At this time there appears to be no great need of fear. Nevertheless the fact cannot be lost sight of that our people have been exposed to a great degree. How great cannot now definitely be determined. And it behooves every citizen to heartily acquiesce with the authorities in any and every effort they may make to stamp out the disease at the start.

A distressing circumstance is that the Wooster girl resides in a double house in which the other family had been stricken with small-pox, and she came to Medina to escape contracting the disease. Thus it will be seen that she already had the disease when she arrived here.

The schools and school books have been thoroughly fumigated. Mrs. Miller's hair-dressing parlor also has undergone a thorough fumigation and the other public buildings will be treated likewise.

The physicians have been working night and day to vaccinate the army of children and adults who are besieging their offices. The doctors are a unit in the opinion that the wholesale vaccination will be of great benefit to the people of the town, whether it will prove to have been necessary or not.

Midwinter Advertising

January and February are a period when the public looks through the newspaper advertising with keen attention.

A great many people have formed a regular habit of delaying purchases until this time of the year. They know that most merchants will give unusually good bargains in midwinter, to save carrying goods over until another year. A merchant that does not get into line and tell the public through the newspapers what he is doing at this time of the year will find his trade very slack. But a simple statement of the good values that can now be found in almost any enterprising store will be read with eager interest. The store will find that it is doing an excellent business even at a dull period.

Goods can't be moved unless the public is told about them. A customer may go by the store every day in the week. But if she does not know that inside, back on those shelves is just the bargain that would appeal to her the goods might just as well be in Jericho. She goes home, picks up the newspaper, reads about the special value offered in some store, and on her next trip hunts out the place that had the enterprise to seek her patronage.

The merchant who does not advertise pays a high price for the money saved. Goods grow more unseasonable the longer they stay in a store. The proprietor is getting no profit on them to pay his fixed charges. Rent, interest, taxes, light and heat and clerk hire expenses are running along every day and must be paid. The only way to pay them is to keep the goods moving.

Goods held over until another season are apt to become shopworn or out of style that they may have to be sold for a song. Goods well advertised and sold during the season for which they are bought go at a fairly good price, and help the merchant close his season without loss.

First Count of Votes in the Sentinel's Tour Campaign

A special vote coupon good for 1000 extra votes will be given to each contestant with their first new subscription if turned in by Saturday night, Feb. 13. This is in addition to the regular number of votes given on a new one year subscription or 1850 in all. Only one special coupon to each candidate.

According to promise the Sentinel today publishes the first count of the votes cast for the different candidates nominated in the Big Pacific Coast Expositions and Golden West Tours Campaign. The ballots have been allowed to accumulate in the ballot-box since last Saturday when the ballot-box was put in place in this office. From now on the votes will be counted every Thursday evening at 5 o'clock and added to the standing of the various contestants in that week's issue of the Sentinel.

Chances of the nature of this three weeks personally conducted tour of the wonders of our own glorious West offered to three ladies and their chaperone by the Sentinel comes but seldom in any community and may never occur again in Medina. Many of the ladies already nominated are highly appreciative and keenly alive to this exceptional situation, but many others who would like to have such an ideal summer holiday tour are hesitating about entering the contest and are de-

bating in their minds the question of whether or not to undertake the work involved.

For the benefit of these we would again call to their attention the fact that only ladies of the best class are to be entered, and the personnel of the happy party will most assuredly be pleasant and in every way congenial.

Now is the time to get busy on subscription votes send them in and make a good showing at the next count.

Now is the time of the high vote schedule.

Now is the time effective work can be done. Take advantage of every opportunity and remember, this is the week of the special offer of one thousand extra votes for the first new one-year subscription. Bring in one and be among the leaders.

We are told that no good thing comes to us without work, but the work by which the Sentinel's great tours are to be won, is agreeable work, of the kind that gives the young ladies valuable lessons in self-reliance and self-confidence. Every person is interested in the efforts of the fair aspirants to win these trips, and the cases where no real aid is given, kind expressions of their interest and best wishes are the rule.

How frequently though are the young ladies who have been so fortunate as to be nominated, approached

or called up on the phone by their friends and asked if they desire to take the trip, and if they do, their friends rally to their support at once. How much more would be accomplished by a little personal effort on your part. A little energy and enthusiasm, a determination to win will work wonders.

The work involved is of an agreeable nature such as any young lady will do easily and enjoy while doing it, for the recognized merits of the Sentinel as a county newspaper makes it an easy task to obtain subscriptions both on their own efforts and the good offices of their friends. The best way to go about it is:

First. If those nearest to you do not subscribe regularly to the Sentinel, ask them to do so. This will give you a good start.

Second. Ask your married brother or sisters to subscribe and save the coupons for you. By so doing you will get both the benefit of the new subscriptions and the weekly coupons which they will save for you.

Third. Tell your other relatives what you are trying for, and ask them to subscribe and save their coupons for you. They will be only too glad to help you, and you will thus have three or four subscribers and several people saving their coupons for you. Then make a list of all your friends and let them know what you are doing.

Get them to help you. Mark them off as fast as you see them, but be sure and see them all.

Send out letters to former Medina county people and friends who you cannot see personally.

The Sentinel is even better value than the price asked for it and is an up-to-date, newsy paper that would do credit to a much larger community, and is worthy of a place in every home in this section. When you have spoken to all your relatives and secured their support, then ask your brother to speak to his friends and ask your girl friends to do something with all their friends in your behalf. You will soon find your vote growing to ample proportions and you will have started on the road that points to success.

Call or phone the Sentinel office and have a talk with the tour manager about the itinerary, if you have as yet received no leaflets or information about this trip, you can get it merely for the asking, and by all means consider the great advantages to be received by such a summer tour before you have your name dropped from the list of candidates, and remember there will be no losers as all who try to the end and do not get a trip will receive ten per cent. of all subscriptions which they turn in.

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Gathering In Black Hand

Developments in the running down of the slayer of John Lenzo have been coming slow but what is believed to be reasonably sure the past week. Late last week Thursday night, after the Sentinel had gone to press, Detective Martino apprehended Joe Grafuto, reputed by the people of Wadsworth to be a hard-working and thrifty Italian. He owns real estate in Wadsworth, has money in the bank and works every day. Grafuto under pressure told a long story to Martino on Thursday night that he was a member of a recognized Black Hand gang in Wadsworth, of which Dominic Cacciolo is the present leader, but that he became a member under protest and because threatened with death if he refused. Grafuto's story is fully credited by the police.

Friday afternoon Grafuto came to Medina and before Prosecutor Underwood and other local authorities, also a Sentinel representative, repeated for record the same story given Detective Martino the previous evening. Grafuto was released upon his personal bond.

Monday Martino was in town again, accompanied by Marshal Lucas of Wadsworth and Grafuto. Grafuto was detailed to talk with Cacciolo in jail, and by all means considered the great advantages to be received by such a summer tour before you have your name dropped from the list of candidates, and remember there will be no losers as all who try to the end and do not get a trip will receive ten per cent. of all subscriptions which they turn in.

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Cacciolo appeared voluble for a time and then became adamant when he was twisted for facts. It was at this time that he fell back upon the advice of his attorney, F. O. Phillips, and refused to give further enlightenment. This was in the face of incriminating documents known to be in the hands of Detective Martino and Prosecutor Underwood.

At a conference between Prosecutor Underwood and the county commissioners Monday noon, the latter decided to stand back of the Prosecutor in whatever he decided to do in the bringing of the slayer of John Lenzo to justice. Whereupon Detective Martino was authorized to go to Brooklyn, N. Y., Monday night, to apprehend a member of the Wadsworth Black Hand gang, whom it is known left for Brooklyn about three days after the assassination of John Lenzo.

Since writing the above Detective Martino delayed going to Brooklyn to run down a fresh clue picked up in Cleveland. A letter received from him yesterday by Prosecutor Underwood, stated that he was going to Rittman, from there to Ravenna, thence to Lorain and then to Brooklyn, where he expected to apprehend Rosario Patti. Grafuto, thus far the star witness for the state, declares that Patti was in Wadsworth two days before Lenzo was assassinated, and that Cacciolo made a round of the local Italians at that time with a demand for money contributions with which to assist Patti in getting out of town. Others claim, however, that Patti's hurried exit from Wadsworth was due to having pulled a gun on some American boys, the latter of whom were bound on taking the matter up.

Tony Cafferelli, one of the four men arrested, was released on bail Monday. He was represented by Attorney Andrews of Akron.

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"Each year there are a few women in the eight-weeks' course," said the dean. "They are usually enrolled in the poultry course. Poultry raising has become of late a diversion for some, as well as a money-making proposition for others."

Dairymen's Assn. Annual Meeting

The third annual meeting of the Medina County Dairymen's association was held at the court house, Saturday, afternoon, Jan. 30, with about fifty members present.

After the election of officers for the ensuing year the dairymen listened to an address by Dr. H. P. Miller, county agricultural superintendent of Portage county on "Co-operative Purchasing." Dr. Miller told why the co-operative organizations in Portage county were formed; how it was financed and managed and spoke in detail of many of the advantages which through it had accrued to the agricultural business men of that county.

At the close of Mr. Miller's address the matter was discussed quite freely among the members present and a motion was passed that if possible a county wide organization be formed to be known as the Medina County Unit association, similar to those of the Portage county organizations. The officers of the Dairymen's association to act as temporary officers in the formation of the new organization. A committee, consisting of one man from each township was chosen to try and secure names of men who are in sympathy with such a move and who are willing to become members of such an organization. A meeting will be held in Medina on Feb. 20 to further complete the plans, at which every person interested is urged to be present. Among the objects to be attained will be a county agricultural superintendent—the co-operative buying of feeds and phosphates and the finding of the best markets for Medina county farm products.

The move is big with possibilities if the farmers of Medina county are big enough to put it through. It's a move in the right direction—let everybody boost.

Bond Issue Vote in Valley City

The benefits to be derived from centralizing the township schools of the county is becoming more apparent every day, and the opinion of the Sentinel regarding this question may be ascertained by reference to an editorial utterance on page four. Valley City will vote next Monday for and against the proposition of a \$15,000 bond issue, asked by the Board of Education for the construction of a new school building. A letter received by the Sentinel on Wednesday of this week from Mr. Charles Frank of Valley City, treasurer-elect of Medina county, is pertinent to the question involved, and we take pleasure in reproducing it with the view of its wielding favorable influence to the plan of centralization. Mr. Frank's letter:

Editor Sentinel,
Dear Sir: Owing to my interest in the welfare of the boys and girls of Liverpool township I am going to vote for the \$15,000 bond issue asked for by our board of education to construct a new school building to carry out the wishes of the people expressed at the centralization election held last November. I believe that the children of this township are entitled to as good a chance as any in the county, and we cannot afford to take any steps backward in matters of education. The day when the little one-room school was sufficient has passed, and we must provide for the future men and women in the best possible way.
Yours very truly,
C. FRANK.

Milk and Meat Make Blood Red

Beef and butter, milk and meat make red blood. Live stock is an agricultural corner stone. Ohio has less live stock on tax list than a quarter century ago.

In fifteen years our population increased 23 million. Our food supply did not increase a pound or a bushel. Red lights are ahead. As live stock decrease soil fertility escapes. Crop yields per acre decline, and demand for commercial fertilizer increases ten fold.

A light shines in the dark. Ohio has an army of six thousand men growing pure bred live stock. The truth will boom Ohio. We lead the nation in good animals. We fail to advertise. Put the truth in Capitol letters and Ohio will become the Mecca and national cross roads of those seeking high class sires and dams.

Ohio stockmen are not welded. Union is strength.

If they would organize, co-operate, and present a solid front, they could levy toll and tribute on the world.

The live stock industry is standing at the front door of a new era. Prices will go higher.

Agricultural Colleges, Fairs and Farmer Institutes are eliminating the "scrub" and "plug" and creating an imperative demand for pure bred foundation stock.

Let Ohioans proclaim always and everywhere that the Buckeye State leads the nation in good animals. The Agricultural Commission believes that "The Truth will Boom Ohio."

PROBATE COURT

First and final account filed in estate of Sarah A. Buchanan.
Inventory filed in estate of Myra D. Brogan.

Final account of distribution filed in estate of Mary A. Knapp.
First partial account filed in estate of John Norton.

Harry M. Simcox appointed administrator of the estate of Chas. T. Vance. Bond \$3800; appraisers, A. G. Abbott, A. D. Miller and G. W. Cowling.

Fourth partial account filed in the guardianship of Alice M. Daykin.
Proofs of publication filed in estates of Theodore Gunkelman, Lafayette Eldred, Elizabeth R. Sydenstricker, Geo. Chapin; also of accounts set for hearing on Feb. 19.

Applications for mothers' pensions filed by Nina Spooner of York; Lizzie Barfoot of Medina; Farnelia Miller of Valley City; Rose Sabin of Litchfield; Mary M. Bealman of Montville, Elzora Houseworth and Carrie Weaver of Wadsworth; Nova F. Ensign of Litchfield and Nellie Toutz of Wadsworth.

R. R. Hubbard of Douglass, Alaska, appointed commissioner to take deposition of D. E. Leatherman, a subscribing witness to the will of Samuel W. East.

Amanda Fixler appointed administrator of the estate of Edward Fixler. Bond, \$7000.

First account filed in guardianship of Wayne Edward and Nelson Stevens. Final account in case of Wayne.

First and final account filed in estate of John Howard.
Corra E. Piper files application for mother's pension.
Twenty-fourth partial account filed in estate of Joseph Harris.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Ceilen M. Spitzer of Chatham and Rosellie L. Latimore of Litchfield.
Ray H. Canfield and Hazel M. Bufington, both of Medina.
Mark L. Seelye of Litchfield and Lena Idella Lance of Chatham.
Chas. C. Cook of Seville and Nora G. Phelps of Montville.
John Aman of South Akron and Rosalie Sutter of Wadsworth.

Death Summons Emilia Swift

After an illness extending over a period of thirteen weeks, Mrs. Emilia Swift, widow of the late Isaac Swift, died at the home of her brother, Geo. M. Shaw of 524 S. Court street, on Saturday morning at 4:30 o'clock, aged 74 years, 4 months and 16 days.

The deceased was born in York, and has always been a resident of Medina county, and a larger part of the time of the village. It was only since her health began to fail as a result of a paralytic stroke about nine weeks ago that she was removed to the home of Mr. Shaw.

She was one of nine children of William and Hannah Shaw who came to America from England in the year 1832.

In 1887 she was married to Isaac Swift who died about seven years ago. There were no children born to this union.

At 18 she united with the Methodist church and continued her membership until death.

Besides the brother, one sister, Mrs. Mary Harrington of Petoskey, Mich., survives. Both were present at the funeral, which was conducted from the Shaw home Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. F. W. Hass of the Methodist church officiating. Burial was made at Spring Grove cemetery.

VIOLATES POOL LAW

Complaints have been made to Mayor Randall of late that minors were allowed not only to visit the local pool and billiard halls, but also to play the games. Tuesday afternoon Mayor Randall directed Marshal Gates to proceed to the rooms and that if he found any such violation of the law to make an arrest. Upon entering the pool room of Jacob Lentz, Marshal Gates discovered two minors and escorted Mr. Lentz to the mayor's office. Lentz entered a plea of guilty and was fined \$5 and costs, which he paid, and was discharged. Lentz stated to the court in extenuation that there were a number of young fellows in town who looked old enough to be men and who gave him their word of honor that they were of age. That he was unable to determine the correctness of their statements in many cases. In reply to this statement Mayor Randall agreed to provide the two pool rooms with the names and ages of every male minor in town and that after this is done any subsequent violation will be dealt with severely. The mayor will also provide a list for every tobacco dealer in town.

GETTING COLD FEET

Wadsworth citizens are not quite so enthusiastic about having street railway connections with the neighboring town of Rittman since it voted wet by 13 majority at the recent local option election. This will allow three saloons in the boxboard town.

Should the new Cleveland line be built connecting the two towns, as apparently it will, Wadsworth will be brought into close touch with saloons in this quarter. That their nearness will draw men and money to that town cannot be doubted.

The value of the line in other directions, however, out-weighs this drawback, some business men declare, and it is not thought that the opposition on this account will be strong. Wadsworth is at present nearly as close to wet territory on the N. O. T. line.

AWARDED FOR INJURY

The State Industrial Commission Friday granted an award to Charles Sulzbach of Wadsworth, R. F. D. No. 2, of \$69.79 for an injury received recently by him while in the employ of the Ohio Match Co. at Wadsworth. The award of the commission was granted under the provisions of the Ohio Workmen's Compensation Law.

Convention of School Boards

Preparations for the county school board convention to be held at Medina, Saturday, Feb. 20, are being rapidly pushed to completion. Assistant State Superintendent J. L. Clifton will be present to deliver an address. Representative P. O. Shank has promised to be present and will talk on legislative matters. S. A. Harbort, director of agricultural teaching in north-eastern Ohio, will also be present. Several other notables are expected to aid in making this first meeting of its kind in the history of Medina county a success in every way.

A question box will be prepared and any one desiring to ask questions may do so by writing out his queries and dropping them in the box before noon. Time will be taken in the afternoon to answer them. Mr. Clifton will be given the opportunity to explain to all enquirers any phases of the school question not well understood.

The County Board of Education wants it understood that there is no disposition on anybody's part to apply a gag rule, but as this is a convention of board members called in accordance with the law for a mutual exchange of ideas, there is no doubt but that most of the meeting will be taken up in official school board business. However, it is believed the question box ought to furnish opportunity for discussing any points not brought out in the regular speeches.

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