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HEAVY SENTENCE FOR WRONGING GIRL

M. D. Kimmell, who pleaded guilty in Judge Addams' court, Cleveland, two weeks ago to contributing to the delinquency of Ida Lee, was sentenced by that magistrate Thursday to pay a fine of \$500 and serve one year in the workhouse.

Every effort was made by his attorneys to save Kimmell from punishment, or at least to secure leniency, and a private hearing was held before Judge Addams before sentence was pronounced in which the Lee girl and Kimmell were present, along with the letter's attorneys and Prosecuting Attorney Underwood. The girl is reported to have maintained a consistent story and one which apparently was convincing to the court.

Kimmell was taken to the workhouse the same evening and the Lee girl was committed to the Girls' Industrial Home at Delaware.

The two young Cleveland fellows who were also convicted of contributing to the Lee girl's delinquency received sentences of \$200 and six months in the workhouse.

AN INDETERMINATE SENTENCE FOR LEHR

Judge L. R. Critchfield of Wooster Wednesday forenoon overruled the motion for a new trial in the case of Dr. J. W. Lehr, convicted of performing an operation on Margaret Hogue of Brunswick and then sentenced the accused to an indeterminate term in the state penitentiary under charge of having performed a criminal operation.

The law fixes the length of the term from one to 20 years.

Dr. Lehr's attorneys at once asked for a suspension of sentence for ten days to give time to file a motion in the court of appeals. The request was granted, the suspension being until Jan. 5 to allow the filing of a bond in the higher court. In the meantime Dr. Lehr is free under the present bond.

A motion to allow a hearing on error will undoubtedly be allowed in the court of appeals, which will give the defendant's attorneys 40 days to file a bill of exceptions. As the next term of the court of appeals will be held in Wooster on Jan. 24, it is not likely that the case will be heard then and it will probably go over until the September term.

Judge Critchfield held that testimony objected to by the defense relative to statements made by Attorney Frank Woods of Medina was competent.

In pronouncing sentence, the judge asked Dr. Lehr if he had any statement to make, the defendant made a negative reply, being plainly much affected by the decision of the court.

WEISZ WINS AGAIN

In the case of The International Agricultural Corporation vs. A. K. Weisz, which plaintiff had carried to the appeal court on error, the latter court has rendered an opinion sustaining the lower court.

In the April term of common pleas court, Weisz, who resides in Mallet Creek, sued the above named company for salary from April 30, 1914, to Oct. 1, 1914, the period between the time of his discharge by defendant company for alleged making of "careless, false, incorrect and untrue credit reports as to his customers and those with whom he was making contracts, with respect to their financial standing," and the end of the time for which he had been employed by the company. The contract called for \$100 a month and traveling expenses. Weisz won his case in common pleas court.

The case attracted considerable attention at the time and many witnesses were called. The discharge of Weisz by the company was because of the assignment of a party to whom Weisz had sold a bill of goods, the company charging that Weisz had not taken proper precautions, or, if so, had wilfully suppressed the truth as to the party's financial condition. Weisz's many friends will be glad to learn of the action of the appeal court.

NEW ROOM FOR ENGINEER

The north end of the third story of the court house is being transformed into a draft room for County Engineer W. F. Peters. Erstwhile the entire attic has been unoccupied except for the storing of old and useless records, the latter of which were disposed of to a junk dealer a few months ago. Up to the present time Mr. Peters has maintained a room for his draft work in the Princess block, but as the county must stand the cost, the economical idea of fitting up the unoccupied rooms alluded to was decided upon. Two or three additional windows have been cut through the building to afford better light and Contractor Elmer Brown was authorized by the commissioners at their meeting on Monday of this week to extend the heating apparatus of the court house to the new room.

ATE ALABAMA DINNER

In itself, the announcement that Mrs. Julia A. Frizzell ate Christmas dinner at her home, 346 East Liberty street, carries no unusual significance, but when it is coupled with the statement that that dinner was prepared away down in Alabama and sent here by parcel post, the fact at once is calculated to make one sit up and look around. Mrs. Frizzell informs us that her daughter in Loxley, Ala., prepared and sent to her mother the following appetizing menu: sweet potatoes, turnips, radishes, collared, mustard and spinach (for greens), quail on toast (minus toast), fruit cake and layer cake and kuyums and pecans.

AKRON OFFICER USES CLUB ON MEDINA MAN

Akron papers of Wednesday published a highly-colored account of an escapade in that city Tuesday night in which four Medina men figured, two of them more conspicuously than the others. They were S. W. Anderson, Ivan Ault, Roy Bowman and W. E. Hemmeyer. The four men were returning to Medina with Ault driving. According to the story as given by the men themselves, as they were passing through the city an officer suddenly mounted the running board, tore off the side curtains and informed the occupants they were under arrest for driving without lights.

The men got out and found that the lights were out, but told the officer that previously they were unaware of the fact. When informed that they would have to go to the police station, Mr. Anderson asked what charge was to be placed against them, whereupon, according to Anderson, the officer began to swing his club at him. Anderson admits having grasped the club and throwing the officer, but claims he restored the club to its owner promptly upon the latter regaining his feet. No sooner had he done so, declares Anderson, than the officer dealt him a stunning blow over his left eye, laying the flesh open for an inch or more.

Both Anderson and Ault were then taken to the station house, the former charged with driving without lights and the latter with having resisted an officer. Both were at once admitted to bail for the appearance Wednesday morning. Meanwhile they engaged Attorney Van Epp by telephone at Medina to represent them. The latter advised them to plead not guilty and secure a continuance of the cases until Friday morning. A heavy fur cap worn by Anderson at the time of the rumpus is believed to have prevented his skull from being crushed. The charge against Anderson subsequently was reduced to disorderly conduct.

JAMES CASSIDY WAS SEEN IN MEDINA

As exclusively published in last week's Sentinel that former Congressman James Cassidy of Cleveland had been traced as far as Medina and that it was believed by those seeking him that he was in hiding either in Medina or nearby, that statement has proved to be more definite than could be substantiated at the time. The Sentinel learned soon after the publication of the statement that Mr. Cassidy had actually been in Medina an hour or so and was seen and talked to by an acquaintance. Why he stopped in Medina could not be learned, but it is supposed he was on his way to another part of the county where, it is understood, he has relatives.

THREE DRUNKS ARRESTED

Bedlam was let loose again in the Hungarian district near the foundry Sunday night, resulting in the arrest of three sons of the land of Koesuth soon after one of the trio had had his head battered up until it resembled a ball of blood pudding rather than a human cranium.

Booze was the direct cause of the bedlam. Andros Fodor, John Johnson and Cele Tot were the "hoisters." They had been drinking heavily and were creating a disturbance in the little grocery store conducted by Barnowsky in the settlement. Things finally got so bad that Barnowsky was unable to handle the situation and Sheriff Gehman was sent for. When the latter arrived, Fodor, who precipitated the trouble, had gone, and the other two were taken to jail. Later, Fodor was found at his home in Abbeville. He resisted arrest, but was soon subdued. Before Judge Kennan Monday morning each was given a sentence of \$5 and costs, amounting in each case to \$9. The fines were immediately forthcoming in the cases of Johnson and Tot, and they were discharged, but an hour or so elapsed before Fodor found financial relief, during which time he languished in the county bastle.

Fodor is the hot-headed little Hunky who came into notoriety several weeks ago when he endeavored to convert the domicile of one of his countrymen into a pepper-box by firing a fusillade of bullets through the windows and doors

WRECK ON SOUTHWESTERN

A wreck occurred on the Southwestern Wednesday forenoon about eleven o'clock, at a point near the home of Jacob Strosacker, about three miles north of Medina, resulting in the serious injury of one man and lesser injuries to several other passengers when southbound limited No. 403, due here at 10:14, ran into local No. 25, also southbound, due in Medina at 10:06. Both cars were behind time, due to the heavy snow fall during the preceding night and morning and the blinding snow storm raging at the time of the accident.

The limited car was in charge of Harry Johnson and Henry Switzer, both of Wooster and the local in charge of Louis Offenberg and Dan Cochran, both of Berea.

Several theories have been advanced as to the cause of the collision, but the correct one has not yet been definitely determined. A number of passengers on the limited declare that both cars had taken orders from the dispatcher only a mile or so before the wreck and that the motorman of the limited should have known by that fact that the local could be but a little way ahead. The conductor of the limited is reported to have stated that he had been given a clear track to Medina.

The first intimation the passengers of the limited had of impending danger was when they observed the motor man rush frantically from the vestibule toward the rear of the car. H. C. Garrett, a traveling man from Cleveland, was sitting just inside the vestibule of the limited and says that he intuitively ducked his head as he saw the motorman leave his post. In an instant he was showered with broken glass, but not injured. Dr. R. F. Riley of Cleveland was sitting in the smoker and badly scalded when the steam pipes burst following the impact of the cars. One arm was burned nearly to the elbow, and he received burns about the body. Reuel Lang, a Cleveland attorney, was cut severely about his right eye, necessitating

the taking of several stitches; two of his teeth were loosened, his face cut slightly in several places and a large gash cut underneath his nose, besides having his left arm badly wrenched and burned by the steam.

The only member of either crew injured was the conductor of the local who received an ugly cut on the head, though not of a serious nature.

The local had just stopped to let off the young daughter of Charles Thomas, who resides close by, and to admit a member of a section gang. The little girl had barely alighted when the crash came. She escaped injury, but the workman, without time to enter the car, was jammed amid the debris and wreckage. One foot was nearly severed and a hand likewise. It was some time before he could be extricated and as he lay there he implored the other passengers to kill him. His cries were awful and his frantic appeals to be killed were more than some of the passengers could endure. The poor fellow said that he had a wife and six children in the old country and with a hand and foot gone there would be nothing left for him to do.

A call was sent to Medina for all the doctors of the village, all of whom responded as fast as they could be located. The first car from the south proceeded at once to the wreck and removed the injured and other passengers to Medina. The section hand was taken to Wooster hospital, while the other injured ones were attended here.

Inspectors Harry M. Evans and S. S. Stillwell of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio were in Medina Thursday, to secure statements from those who knew most about the wreck, and later from members of the crews on the wrecked cars as they reached Medina, they having with the exception of Cochran, resumed their duties on Thursday morning. Thursday evening the inspectors visited the injured Hungarian at Wooster hospital for his statement and stated they would confer with Cochran at Berea Friday.

TO LIGHT THE COURT HOUSE COSTS MUCH

The county commissioners, having become wearied over paying out between \$40 and \$50 a month for lighting the court house, are receiving bids for the installation of their own lighting system, whereby they expect to reduce the cost for lighting to the county very materially. Even during the summer months, when the days are longest, the light bills run more than \$30 a month at the court house and the commissioners are unable to ascertain the reason for such reckless use of artificial light, if such use is really made. There appears to be a leakage somewhere—that fact they are certain.

Already bids have been received from Frank Sanfoxi of Medina, the Garford Co. of Elyria and Whirright of Lodi, and Wednesday, Jan. 5 has been set as the date for their consideration. The cost of installation will approximate \$900 or \$1000, it is estimated.

SMALL AMOUNT—JURY TRIAL

A casual caller at the council chamber most any old hour Tuesday might have formed the opinion that a full-fledged murder case was being tried. But he wouldn't have had to remain there but a few minutes to have his opinion undergo a complete change. For it was not a case of life or death, but merely one man suing another for \$22.

The litigants were Grif, Foote and Wint. Cole; the court, Justice C. M. Cannon; attorneys, Frank Woods and Geo. Smith and jurymen, Frank Styer, Albert Roshon, I. H. Rickert, Chas. Anderson, F. M. Plank and John Clark and witnesses Eugene Cole, Wint. Cole, Supt. W. S. Edmund, Chas. Crofoot, Grif. Foote and Gladys Harrington, and there you are with the whole push. Woods represented Grif, and Smith Cole.

Grif, hired Wint to do janitor work at the primary school building from the fore part of September to the latter part of November, at the stipulated rate, according to Grif, of \$30 a month, and Wint claims that Grif still owes him \$22. Most of the nagging in court was over an alleged payment of \$10. Grif claims he paid it, Wint declares he didn't. It was practically one man's word against another. Another point that appeared vital was what is commonly understood to constitute a month—whether it is four weeks, or whether the calendar month is the guiding period. Erudite and ponderous arguments were presented by the legal light on either side and, as we have already intimated one's first thought upon entering the sacred and gas-heated corridor Tuesday was that some epoch-making event was taking place.

After being out forty minutes the jury brought in a verdict awarding the plaintiff \$10 and assigning the cost to defendant.

WILL CONFER FOR COUNTY AGENT

That Medina county will eventually have an agricultural agent seems pretty well assured, although some little time may elapse before the culmination of that dispensation.

Word has been received from Mr. G. W. Bush, state leader of county work for Ohio, that he will be in Medina on Jan. 26 for conference with representatives from each township, as well as granges and other farm organizations of the county. At that time plans will be formulated, if there is sufficient sentiment in favor of it, to secure a county agricultural agent for Medina county.

The Sentinel will keep its readers posted concerning the development of the sentiment in this matter from week to week until the meeting in January.

COULDN'T DRINK IT ALL

Notwithstanding his 72 years, like lots of others, Richard McAndrews still apparently harbors the delusion that he is physically able to consume all the whiskey there is in the world.

Richard, while not exactly a resident of Medina, regards it as about the nearest thing to home that he possesses in that line, and though absent a great deal of the time, drifts back here anon to look over the field and into familiar faces, incidentally pulling vigorously at a brown bottle.

His last trip this way, via Berea, landed him here Saturday. He was accompanied by a jag and ample where withal for the conjuring of a second and third one. He took apartments at the American hotel and got busy at once. Sunday afternoon he was in such a drunken condition that Marshal John Gates bundled him off to the lock up.

Monday he appeared before Mayor Randall, who fined him \$1 and costs. The sentence was suspended upon Richard stating that his fall from grace was more in the nature of an accident that had befallen him while en route to the county house. He was released and when last seen was loping it south on the pike.

LEFT PUBLIC BEQUESTS

While the will of the late Della Hartman has not yet been admitted to probate, it is of common report that the deceased left many bequests, among which are said to be the following: to the public library, \$1,000; to Mrs. W. S. Ament, whom the Congregational church of Medina supports as a missionary in China, the income on \$2,000; Mrs. Ament is the widow of a former pastor of the Congregational church, who was a missionary to China at the time of his death a few years ago. Miss Gertrude Bishop, \$100; Mrs. F. O. Phillips, \$100; Mrs. Anna McDowell, \$100.

BORN ON OHIO FARMS

Ohio farms have furnished eight congressmen and four senators for other states in the present congress, the new Congress Directory disclosed.

Besides Pomerene and Harding, Senators Norris of Nebraska, Kenyon of Iowa, Reed of Missouri and Sterling of South Dakota were born in the Buckeye state. Norris was born in Sandusky and went to Baldwin college at Berea to school before going west to find fortune. Kenyon was born in Elyria and went to Grinnell, Iowa, to college. Reed was born near Mansfield and went to Kansas City at 16. Sterling was born in Fairfield county.

CALL FOR MEMEBRS TO NEW ASSOCIATION

The following communication has been handed us by Secretary H. G. Rowe of the Medina County Fish and Game Protective association and should be carefully read by all who are in any way interested in the propagation and protection of game and fish in the county, for which the above organization was recently formed:

The Medina County Fish and Game Protective association recently organized desires the support of all Medina county in the efforts that the organization will make to protect and propagate game and fish within this county as well as lend aid to the enforcement of laws enacted to further these ends.

Without going into detail at this time as to the plans and hopes of the association, it may be well to state that within the scope of these plans is the stocking of all available water in the county with game fish, the establishing and protecting of bird and game refuges with the co-operation of farmer friends, special protection of our song birds and insectivorous birds, and the encouragement of true sportsmanship in all lovers of gun and rod.

We have the assurance of the Ohio State Fish and Game Commission that it will lend our association every assistance in all of these purposes, and it is hoped to have the chief game warden of the state present at the next dinner and meeting of the association, which will be called as soon as county-wide membership of the association has been secured.

That we may secure such membership as early as possible, the officers of the Medina County Fish and Game Protective association earnestly request that every man in Medina county interested in the protection of fish and game birds in this county send or hand his application for membership in the association to either one of the undersigned. More than this, we should be glad to receive recommendations of men for membership, as we want active workers in this good cause in all parts of the county, and there may be some very excellent future members of the association who will fail to send in their own names.

At the next meeting and feed of the embryo association, there will be not only a special menu and good speaking on fish and game topics, but a constitution and by-laws will be adopted and plans for securing fish and game from the state for distribution throughout the county will be discussed. So let the applications for membership and recommendations for membership be made now as early as possible.

C. D. FREEMAN, Pres.
H. G. ROWE, Sec'y.
Medina County Fish and Game Protective Association.

"POSEY" WANTED TO DRIVE

Will Bowman, Burt McDonald, Will Thompson and Ben Tobbits formed a quartet Christmas night that had more fun and excitement, principally the latter, while it lasted, than they have had before in a long time. They were headed for Weymouth and the auto was skidding. You will remember that snow and ice had made a slippery mess of the roads. "Posey" became dissatisfied with the way Bowman was driving and demanded that he be given the helm. Driving being an old story to Bowman he was glad to turn it over to "Posey." Suiting action to the word the latter grasped the wheel, but his foot slipped a cog and got on to the reverse pedal, instead of the low speed ahead, and a convenient ravine received car and occupants unto itself. Fortunately the upset happened in front of Jake Huffman's and Jake was up looking for dood of Santa. Unable to withstand the piteful pleading for relief, Huffman hitched up his dobbins and toted the bunch back to town. Possibly a few more details might be added, but what's the use?

DEATH OF BURBANK LADY

Mrs. Susan Addleman died at her home at Burbank Monday morning at 3 o'clock. Her death was due to apoplexy. Mrs. Addleman is survived by her husband, two sisters, Mrs. D. R. Rebman of Burbank and Mrs. J. M. Gindesperger near Congress; a son, John Addleman, druggist at Burbank, and one daughter, who is now in California. Mrs. Addleman was 73 years of age.

DEATH SUMMONS WILLIAM HILL

Many friends in this vicinity will regret to learn of the death of William Henry Hill, a former resident of Medina, which occurred at his home in Cleveland, Monday, Dec. 27.

The deceased was born in Medina, June 24, 1856, being 59 years, 6 months and 3 days of age at the time of his death. He was the son of Richard D. and Harriet M. Hill. On July 7, 1878, he was united in marriage to Eva L. Best.

Mr. Hill had been a great sufferer for the past six months, but had endured without complaint and had nothing but pleasant words and smiles for his family and friends. He was a kind neighbor and mourn.

There remains to mourn, his widow, a daughter, Minnie L. Hill of Medina, two brothers, Martin of Michigan and Thomas of Cleveland, and one sister, Mrs. Harriet Parmeter of Iowa, besides a host of distant relatives and friends.

Funeral services will be held at the Christian church, Medina, today, conducted by Rev. V. A. Goodale. Burial will be made in Spring Grove cemetery.

COLUMBUS MECCA FOR OHIO FARMERS

Many Medina county farmers and dairymen will probably be in Columbus during the week of Jan. 31 to Feb. 4, when the Ohio corn show and practically all of the state-wide agricultural organizations of the state will be there at Ohio State University.

The list now includes the Ohio Dairymen's Association, Ohio Vegetable Growers' Association, Ohio Pecher-Breeders'; four dairy cattle clubs of the state and the Ohio State Horticultural society.

Word has been received that the American Jersey Cattle Club, which generally holds its annual meeting in New York, Chicago, or Indianapolis, will meet in Columbus during the week.

Other organizations meeting at this time will be: Central Ohio Milk Producers, Ohio Association of Ice Cream Manufacturers and several poultry organizations from Springfield and Dayton. In addition, the Dairymen's Machinery show and an Ohio egg show will be held.

Sixty lectures on every phase of farming by leading agricultural men of the United States have been scheduled for the week. The list includes O. H. Benson, United States department of agriculture, Washington; Jas. E. Rice, poultry expert from Cornell University; Dean H. L. Russell, University of Wisconsin; Charles E. T. Thorne, director Ohio agricultural experiment station, and Rose Morgan of Columbia University.

HOBART-SCHLABACH

A quiet wedding was solemnized last evening at 7 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Hobart, 214 North Elmwood street, when their daughter Vera became the wife of Ross P. Schlabach. The beautiful and impressive service of the Episcopal church was employed, conducted by Rev. Wm. V. Edwards of St. Paul's. The decorations were of holly and other suggestions of the yule-tide season and neither of the contracting parties were attended.

Following the ceremony the bridal party repaired to the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hobart, uncle and aunt of the bride, at 266 North Elmwood, where a wedding supper was awaiting. At the latter home the decorations were of smilax and pink roses and presented a very attractive appearance. The waitresses were the Misses Marian Branch, Olive Shupe, Elizabeth McDowell and Clara Johnson.

Besides only a few friends who withdrew out of town were present: Mrs. A. G. Oatman, Misses Marie and Helen Lamphere, Mrs. Fred Root, and children, Kenneth, Donald and Oliver, Mr. and Mrs. B. Pelton, Mrs. Bessey and daughter Fionu, all of Cleveland, and Mr. and Mrs. Ira Peniman of Berea.

Mr. and Mrs. Schlabach left at once for Portsmouth, N. H., where the former is stationed as lieutenant in the government navy there. The couple will be at home in Portsmouth to their friends after Jan. 6.

BOOZE MADE HIM TROUBLE

On complaint of his wife, who charged that while drunk he had assaulted her, Mahlon Huffman, residing at East and East Liberty streets, was arrested by Sheriff Gehman Sunday, Monday morning before Mayor Randall Huffman acknowledged the charge and was sentenced to pay a fine of \$20 and serve fifteen days in the workhouse. Upon a promise not to repeat his actions the workhouse sentence and \$15 of the fine was suspended, the mayor giving Huffman positive assurance that a repetition of his offense would secure him the balance of his sentence and a like dose besides.