

### COURT HOUSE NEWS

#### Transfers of Real Estate, Marriage Licenses, Etc.

**Transfers of Real Estate.**

Ivan L. Hoff, assignee of mortgagee, to the Westminster Savings Bank, conveys a lot of land, for \$2,150.

Mary E. Otto and husband, to David J. Hoff et al. trustees, convey 96-6-10 square rods, for \$360.50.

Nathan O. Warfield et al. to James C. Jenkins and wife, convey 2 acres, for \$245.

Lloyd W. Grimes to S. C. Beall and husband, convey 7 acres, for \$5.

Sarah McKinney et al. to Francis Neal Parke, convey 23,520 square feet, for \$1.

Francis Neal Parke to Robert S. McKinney and wife, convey 23,520 square feet, for \$1.

James C. Wilson and wife to Geo. E. Staub, convey 1-1-4 acres, for \$375.

Clarence G. Orendorff to Mary Leffer, convey 6 acres, for \$1,000.

Hortace T. Wentz assignee, to John T. Stonestifer and wife, convey 11 1/2 acres, for \$210.

John T. Stonestifer and wife to Mordecai V. Horing, convey 3 parcels, for \$100.

David H. Kaltrider et al. to John T. Stonestifer and wife, convey 1-3-4 acres, for \$100.

Merville L. Bowers to Charles P. Rifle and wife, convey 2 acres, for \$215.

Ruth A. Williams and husband to Johnson Wright, convey 13,530 square feet, for \$1,200.

Carroll Oak and Tanning Co. to W. M. R. Company, 3-4 of an acre for \$100.

#### Orphan's Court.

Monday, June 18.—William F. Stair, executor of Isaiah Stair, deceased, settled his first account.

Nelson Grove, administrator of Sarah E. Grove, deceased, settled his first and final account.

The Westminster Deposit and Trust Company, guardian of J. Bernard Sandler, ward, received an order to withdraw funds.

Tuesday, June 19.—The sale of real estate of John C. Harman, deceased, was finally ratified and confirmed.

The sale of real estate of John P. Frank, deceased, was finally ratified and confirmed.

The sale of real estate of William E. Smith, deceased, was finally ratified and confirmed.

John W. Crowl, executor of David Crowl, deceased, received an order to sell real estate.

Joseph N. Shriver and Robert T. Shriver, executors of Thomas Herbert Shriver, deceased, returned an additional inventory of personal property.

#### Marriage Licenses.

Wesley A. Pickens, Easley, S. C., and Margaret Ruth Gist, Westminster.

Walter L. Shettle, Medford, and Emma R. Brown, Pleasant Valley.

Harvey R. Ward and Elenora Cress, south of Carrollton.

Rosemary M. Hyde and Virginia B. Egan, both of New Windsor.

Oden S. Bowie, Olla, and Helen J. Hewitt, Elliott City.

Nathan C. Hobbs and Gertrude S. Hood, both of Skyville.

#### 229 FAIL TO REGISTER.

Sheriff on Hunt for Slackers—Will Be Given Chance to Register.

After a search through the registration books for the men between the ages of 21 and 31 years, who failed to have their names placed on the draft register on June 5, amounted to 229.

The lists of slackers are prepared and Sheriff Stoner will start on his round up in a few days. He will notify all unregistered men that they are to come to the Court House and register and those that refuse will be prosecuted according to the laws that come under the draft section.

Takertown	1
Precinct No. 1	1
Precinct No. 2	1
Edmonton	1
Precinct No. 1	5
Precinct No. 2	5
Myers	12
Precinct No. 1	10
Precinct No. 2	12
Freedom	41
Manchester	1
Precinct No. 1	8
Precinct No. 2	7
Westminster	12
Precinct No. 1	12
Precinct No. 2	10
Precinct No. 3	13
Precinct No. 4	8
Hampstead	12
Franklin	6
Middleburg	11
New Windsor	10
Union Bridge	13
Mt. Airy	14
Berrett	16

### “DO YOUR BIT” War Emergency Notice

Anyone throughout the country willing to serve the country in any way—yet not knowing how to go about it—is requested to communicate with Mrs. Austin Gallagher, chairman, (Tel. 126 Westminster) of the Carroll County Division, Women's Commission on Preparedness and Survey of Maryland.

Old table clothes or other linen or muslin, also clean white rags are desired for Red Cross work. Kindly leave such at Headquarters, Main and Court streets. Lessons in knitting will be given at 2.30 o'clock each Monday at headquarters. All are welcome.

### MELVILLE A. SHAUCK KILLED.

#### Was Struck By An Automobile While Crossing a Street on His Motorcycle—Died at the Hospital.

Melville A. Shauck, aged 23 years, of Statewood, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Shauck, was struck and fatally injured yesterday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock in Baltimore, and died at the Union Protestant Infirmary a short time later.

Mr. Shauck was about to cross Lauren's street on his motorcycle when Joseph Bowen, colored, crashed into him with an automobile, hurling him about 20 feet to a curb. His skull was fractured by the impact with the curb and he was otherwise badly injured. The motorcycle was badly wrecked. Bowen was arrested and locked up for a hearing.

Mr. Shauck only recently rented a stall in Lafayette Market, where he carried on the retail butcher business and would go to Baltimore from his home, at Statewood each day.

Mr. Shauck leaves a wife, Mrs. Mabel A. C. Shauck, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Horace L. Shipley, Statewood, who was prostrated when she received the sad news of her husband's fate.

Funeral services will be held at Providence Methodist Protestant church, Statewood, Sunday, at 1 p. m.

### DEATHS.

**Hutting.**

Jacob H. Hutting, an old veteran and auctioneer, died at his residence, Pennsylvania avenue, after an illness of ten months, during which time he was confined to his bed, on Tuesday night, aged 72 years, 2 months and 12 days. He leaves his widow, one daughter, Mrs. George Murk, of Baltimore, two sons, William H. and Norman E. Hutting, of this city, two grandchildren and one sister, Mrs. E. R. Wade, of Highfield. He was a good citizen and had many friends here who with the family mourn his death. He served in Co. G, 1st Md., P. H. B., from August 23, 1862, to April 8, 1865, when the Company was transferred to the 13th Md. Regiment and served until the close of the war. The Company was in the battle of Gettysburg and was pitted against the 1st Maryland Confederate Regiment. He was an active member of Burns Post until he took to his bed. He is the third member of the Post to die during the month of June.

His funeral was held this morning at his late residence, conducted by his pastor, Rev. J. W. Reinecke, of Carroll Reformed church, and was largely attended by relatives and friends. The floral tributes were many and beautiful.

The pallbearers were J. L. Bowers, John H. Mitten, Daniel Seipp, John R. Fossett, Peter Little and Abraham Sheets, members of Burns Post, G. A. R. Interment in Kridler's cemetery, near this city. Harvey Bankard & Son funeral directors.

#### Crouse.

Samuel Keller Crouse, aged 75 years, 3 months and 4 days, died yesterday at the home of George Hildebrand, near Taneytown. He is survived by three sons, Frank, of Taneytown; Samuel, of Tyrone, and Harry, of Millersville, Pa., also one brother, Milton A. Crouse, Taneytown.

Funeral services will be held Saturday at 2 o'clock at his late home, Rev. Guy P. Brady, officiating. Interment in the Reformed cemetery. Pallbearers were Calvin Fringer, Jas. Rodgers, David Brown, Jesse Angell, Jacob Null and Jacob Sontz. C. O. Fuss & Son funeral directors.

#### Albaugh.

Mrs. Louisa L. Albaugh, wife of Dr. A. P. Albaugh, died Thursday, June 21, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Walter Engel, Sam's Creek, aged 71 years. Besides her husband, one son, Guy S., of York, and one daughter, Mrs. Walter Engle, Sam's Creek, survive, also three brothers, T. P. Frazier, New Oxford, Pa.; Thomas J. Frazier, Baltimore and Frederick Frazier, Springfield, Ill.

Funeral services will be held Sunday morning at 11 a. m., in Bethel Methodist Episcopal church conducted by Elder A. P. Snader, assisted by Rev. Wm. C. Parrish.

#### Wilhide.

Mrs. Mary O. Wilhide, wife of Chas. Wilhide, died at her home, near Bruceville, Wednesday, aged 65 years, 9 months and 23 days. Besides her husband the following children survive: Mrs. Vallie Sutton, Canton, O.; Mrs. Abbie Stansbury, Union Bridge; Mrs. Nellie Orund, Rouserville, Pa.; Mervin Wilhide, of Middletown, O., and Edgar, at home.

Funeral services were held this morning at the home, Rev. Fields, of Union Bridge, officiating. Interment in Keyville cemetery. C. O. Fuss & Son funeral directors.

#### Snyder.

Jacob Snyder aged 84 years died Tuesday at the County Home, near this city. He is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Smith, near Snyderburg. Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at Shiloh church, Rev. Daugherty officiating. Interment in adjoining cemetery. Jacob Wink Sons funeral directors.

#### Hen Mothers Young Pig.

Peter Kartrude of Luverne, Minn., has a hen which had adopted a little pig.

The last of a litter the pig found itself a supernumerary at feeding times, but the hen took pity on it, and it was not long in discovering that her feathered meant warmth and her motherly instinct meant protection.

Though the pig follows its adopted mother about and watches enthusiastically her efforts to supply it with nourishment in the usual way of hens, it has not adapted itself to a chicken diet, but subsists on milk from a bottle.

### LANDS THE BACON.

#### REEL TEAM WINS FIRST MONEY IN TWO REEL RACES, \$300; AND SECOND MONEY IN HOOK AND LADDER, \$25.

The reel team of the Westminster Fire Company returned home Saturday evening in fine condition, and happy as could be over the \$325 in reel green stuff which they won at Cumberland in the hook and ladder and reel races that were held in connection with the Maryland State Firemen's Association meet. The hook and ladder race was pulled off in the morning with three contestants Brunswick, Western Enterprise, Hagerstown, and our team. On account of the ladder slipping on the slippery street, caused Githa Miller, the fleet footed ladder climber, to lose his footing and speed in climbing. The race resulted:

Hook-and-ladder—Brunswick, \$31 2-5; prize, \$75; Westminster, second, \$2 1-2; prize, \$25; Western Enterprise, Hagerstown, third, \$3 9-10.

In the afternoon at 1.30 p. m. a tremendous crowd lined the track before the reel races started and cheered the victorious runners at every contest. By fast work and good judgment both first prizes came to our boys with the following contestants and time.

Hose Race (open to the world)—Westminster first, :40 3-4; prize, \$200; Brunswick, second, :43 1-4; Western Enterprise, Hagerstown, third, :43 7-10.

Association Hose Company Race—Westminster, first, :40, \$100; Western Enterprise, Hagerstown, second, :40 6-10, prize, \$50.

The next meet will be held in Frederick. The people of Hagerstown went wild over winning \$75, and started to celebrate the victory by ringing bells and blowing whistles. When the news was sent Westminster won \$25 the citizens never as much as congratulated them upon their success. It only shows the difference in the spirit of the people for the two cities. A band should have been secured and a parade arranged upon the reel team's arrival home. We won't allow it to happen again. Win again which you will if you enter the contests, and we will wake up this city.

#### County Commissioners.

The board of County Commissioners for Carroll County has appointed the following as members of the Board of Health for this county:

Taneytown district—Dr. W. H. Seiss, Uniontown district—Dr. Luther Kemp.

Myers district—Dr. J. L. Wetzel.

Woolers district—Dr. R. F. Wells.

Freedom district—Dr. M. D. Norris.

Manchester district—Dr. John Weaver.

Westminster district—Dr. Charles R. Foutz, president.

Hamstead district—Dr. R. C. Wells.

Franklin district—Dr. E. D. Clink.

Middleburg district—Dr. C. H. Diller.

New Windsor district—Dr. G. H. Brown.

Union Bridge district—Dr. James Watts.

Mt. Airy district—Dr. C. P. Gowman.

Berrett district—Dr. D. B. Sprecher.

They also awarded a contract to M. D. Porman, of York, to place a 32 foot iron bridge over the stream at Bollinger's Mill, at a cost of \$795.

#### EGGS AS WEDDING GIFTS.

#### And Why Not? This Couple Eat Sixteen For Breakfast.

In the days of old they used to shower the bride and bridegroom with eggs. Instead of the score, patent toasters and heaven knows what not, but in this day of efficiency that isn't what happened to James Davis, mail carrier on Route No. 3, Brook, Ind.

James got in his eggs. All his friends banded together and decided that with the way the cost of living kept on soaring and May wheat kept rising, it would be a crying shame to give him a linen shower or a glassware shower. So they decided upon eggs.

He received crates of them; he accepted boxes of them; he had sacks and cans full of them. And he was more pleased, he says than if his friends had decided upon half a dozen other gifts.

"What are you going to do with all of them?" one friend asked.

James looked hurt, "Don't crowd me," he said. "We had 16 for breakfast."

#### WHALE STEAK ON SALE SOON.

#### Meat of Porpoises, Dolphins and other Fish To Be Offered.

Washington, June 16.—The Bureau of Fisheries today announced that within a short time the meat of whales, porpoises, dolphins and other cetaceans will be placed on the market for food to help relieve the demand for animal meats. Whale steak is in point of out can be served at 10 cents a pound against sirloin at 35 cents.

"Whales and porpoises are mammals like cattle and sheep, and their flesh is 'meat' and not 'fish,'" says a Fisheries Bureau statement. "In texture and appearance it resembles beef, though the color is darker red, and the flavor is closer to that of meat than any other. It is devoid of fishy taste.

"It is likely it will soon be obtainable fresh, corned and canned, and it is recommended to those who have an opportunity to purchase it."

#### Grace Lutheran Church.

Sunday school 9.15 a. m. Christian Endeavor 6.45 p. m. No preaching services, either morning or evening because of the pastor's absence.

#### Westminster's Great Asset.

The question: "What are Carroll County's Most Important Resources?" was recently put to me by a visitor from a Western state, and it does not seem difficult, surely, to guess the unhesitating reply, as summed up in a very few words.

Our county's greatest assets are the industry, thrift and moral sturdiness of its inhabitants, plus the fertility of its nearly four hundred square miles of rarely beautiful area—and of which our gifted neighbor and friend the Bentzown Bard has written:

"The rolling hills of Carroll That no other hills surpass For crops of wheat and clover And the seven-year pasture grass.

"The rolling hills of Carroll Why the birds must sing more sweet In all that rolling country Of the fertile corn and wheat."

But the discussion of our county's values led me later to thinking of its county seat—its center of activity, which we are so fond—and of its greatness; possibly greatest—asset. Thinking led to questioning; and questioning led to a conviction that we, as a community, fall in the fullest sense to appreciate our benefits in the possession of a college—especially when that college is one of so high a standing throughout our country—and indeed, beyond it even—and is one of such constantly increasing prestige as the Western Maryland College.

Why, the very thought of Oxford and Cambridge in England, or of Princeton and New Haven in this country being so imaginably dull. This is conceded with ease, is it not? Yet, exactly the same verdict holds good with the smaller universities and colleges; in fact on down to the preparatory schools and seminaries, for even they give flavor to their sections, while in the cases of such colleges as Williams, Dartmouth, Stanford and all the rest, the charm they lend their surroundings is unique-irresistible.

And, so, the thought of a Westminster lacking its "College Hill" is really an unpleasant one and should induce a greater degree of gratitude—even of thanksgiving—than perhaps we now in our hearts feel.

There were addresses upon not only contributory factors in the higher cultivation of their immediate communities—often affording opportunities to those who might not, otherwise, achieve more than a common school education—but they are also creators of an atmosphere that in itself cannot be other than elevating; just as someone has said that living within library walls—even, indeed, among unopened books—is educating, (the volumes seeming actually to impart knowledge through their titles, yes! through their buildings.) So it should be quite comforting to realize that even though some of us may not have delved into the mysteries of science, or studied the graces and beauties of literature, or made ourselves masters of many tongues, we can still, by this privilege of environment, "rub elbows" with those who have, and through this attrition, we, insensibly, learn much. In other words, the college town may become a university, supposedly, impossible thing: "a royal road to learning" for those who will tread the path.

A college town presents advantages too, of a purely social nature far superior to the ordinary "bread and butter" community.

But these and all other advantages imparted by the "university spirit" could not have been better exemplified than they were in Westminster during the past week, when there was gathered together a remarkable company of the educators of Maryland—as well as a most impressive group of alumni—and when, as in former years (of which there have been fifty) there were addresses upon social, educational and patriotic subjects delivered from the platform of Alumni Hall, to which it was in truth, a generous privilege to listen.

Therefore it is reasonable to believe that our college has not failed to exert, unremittently, a silent as well as a vocal protest, against ignorance in all its ugly forms. And to all of this, and much more in fact, we, the people of Westminster, have free and welcome access. Are we not favored?

And yet there is still another side to this question of the harvest reaped by Westminster in its role of "College Town," and which renders our indifference—if such really exists—still harder to understand.

I refer to the fact that as a rule the college town reaps the benefit of a very considerable outlay of funds which come almost entirely from outside, and yet the college is in no sense a liability to the town. In our case the Western Maryland College brings in about \$50,000 annually, and distributes it all here; hence, the town benefits thoughtlessly disregard the sentimental, the social and even the educational atmosphere of a college town, still not refuse acknowledgment of this material advantage in a just consideration of the Western Maryland College as an asset to Westminster.

MRS. AUSTIN GALLAGHER.

### ST. JOHN'S COMMENCEMENT.

#### FOUR STUDENTS GRADUATE—GOOD PROGRAM—LARGE ATTENDANCE—REV. MCGUIGAN PRESENTS DIPLOMAS.

The closing exercises of St. John's school were held in the Church on the Feast of the Sacred Heart, June 15th, the Rev. Thomas E. McGuigan, the pastor, presiding.

The program was as follows: "Hear Thy Children, Gentle Jesus," hymn; invocation; "The Smile of Jesus," hymn; awarding of prizes for regular attendance and Christian Doctrine; honor roll; mention of "O Lord, High in Glory Raised," hymn; awarding medals, class prizes and diplomas; prize for Essay on Patriotism; "Sweet Name Which Makes the Dying Live," hymn; address by the Reverend pastor; benediction; "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name," hymn.

Diplomas were awarded to the following young ladies for having completed with very creditable averages the regular course of studies given in the Parochial school: Miss Mary Agnes Yingling, Miss Alice Elizabeth Billmyer, Miss Gertrude Estelle Little, Miss Helen Gertrude Lynch.

The Baumgartner Gold Medal for Christian Doctrine was awarded to Gertrude Little.

Premiums for the best final examinations in Christian Doctrine were awarded to Robert Barth, Madeline Weller, Thomas Sinnott, Martin W. Diffendal, Alberta Sinnott and Joseph M. Baumgartner.

The happy recipient of the Baumgartner Gold Medal for application and highest average was Alice Billmyer.

Agnes Yingling was the winner in the contest for the five dollar gold piece given by Mr. Robert S. Shriver for the best essay on "Patriotism."

The following who have regularly attended every session since the opening of school September 25, 1916, were awarded prizes: Agnes Yingling, Josephine Gardner, Helen Lynch, Madeline Weller, Catherine Crass, Julia Walsh, Catherine Yingling, Anna Grace Rickell, Verona Waish, Ronell Manger, Irene Noel, Irving Dell, Robert Longberger, William Eckenrode, Lawrence Rickell, Stephen Weller, Lane Yingling, Clarence Walsh, Daniel Case, Duhney Manger.

For application during the entire scholastic year the following deserve honorable mention: Madeline Massicot, Josephine Gardner, Angela Boylan, Paul Logue, Madeline Weller, Edward Cootes, Thomas Sinnott, Robert Longberger, Irving Dell, Catherine Crass, Martin Diffendal, William Eckenrode, Charles Christ, Julia Walsh, Dorothy Baker, Lillian Chest, Alberta Sinnott, Mary Bitzel, Margaret Ruppert, Gwendolyn Steele, Clarence Walsh, Eugene Tubman, Angela Eckenrode, Anna Grace Rickell, Helen Weller, Catherine Weller, Daniel Case, Joseph Baumgartner, Joseph Mathias, John Ruppert, Lane Yingling, Albert Massicot.

#### HAIGHT.

The thunder storm which visited this section on Wednesday afternoon of this week was severe but no damage was done, although there was some hail.

Mrs. E. O. Phillips had a paralytic stroke last week, her right side being affected and at this writing is still in a precarious condition.

The festival held in the grove near New Oakland Church on Saturday evening last by the Women's Bible class, taught by Mr. Wm. Watson, was quite a success, netting quite a nice little sum.

We notice rust is appearing on late sown wheat, caused by heavy dews and rain. The early wheat is too far advanced to be affected. Harvest will be later than usual on account of the late spring.

It will be quite a relief to the traveling public to know that in a few days the section of the Liberty Road from North Branch to the North Branch School will be completed and will be open for travel by the first of the week.

There is a rumor afloat that the Oldland road to the Liberty pike when built is to be concrete instead of a pike, if such is the case it will not meet with much favor by residents here and some of the subscribers declare they will not contribute toward a concrete road. A good pike will serve the residents need much better and said road will cost much less, as there is an abundance of stone available without being quarried, which is expensive work and at this critical time we think the extra expense should be taken into account.

#### Courses in Canning.

The Maryland State College of Agriculture is arranging for two short courses in the canning, preserving and drying of vegetables and fruits to be given in connection with the summer session for teachers and others.

The first of the short courses begins at noon, June 25th, and ends at noon, June 30th.

The second course begins at noon, July 30th, and ends at noon, August 4th.

Miss Emma S. Jacobs, who is the Director of Domestic Science in the Washington, D. C. Schools, and who also heads the Home Economics work in the Summer School, will be in charge of the short courses.

This is an unusual opportunity for preparedness leaders and home makers to secure an intensive course in the art of canning and preserving. Will you not bring this to the attention of the people of your district?

Very truly yours,  
H. J. PATTERSON  
President.

#### THE JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY

#### Summer Courses—Graded Elementary School June 25 to August 7, 1917.

In cooperation with the Board of School Commissioners of Baltimore there will be conducted at Homewood in connection with the Johns Hopkins University Summer Courses a free vacation school for elementary pupils. Non-promoted and retarded pupils of the fourth to seventh grades inclusive will be given an opportunity to make up deficiencies and thereby gain promotion in September. The school will also receive pupils who have been promoted and wish to do advanced work. In addition the school will include first and second grades. If a sufficient number present themselves, a section of beginners will be formed. All beginners must present a certificate of successful vaccination. The instruction in these classes will be given by public school teachers.

Parents or guardians wishing their children to enter this school can obtain application cards from the director of the Summer Courses, Homewood. These cards must state the work children have taken up.

Admission to the University classes will be limited to those who were admitted to the school will report for class work on Monday, June 25, at 8.30 a. m., in Room 120, Civil Engineering Building. The daily session of the classes will extend from 8.30 a. m. to 12.30 p. m., excepting Wednesday, July 4, and Saturdays. The classes will be held in the Engineering Buildings, Homewood, North Charles and Thirty-Second Streets.

#### Draft Will Be Slow.

It will require between 30 and 60 days after President Wilson signs the Army bill to bring the National Guard into the federal army under the draft provisions of the national defense act. This can be stated authoritatively, although the war department is withholding announcement as to details of the process to be followed with the state troops until the bill has been signed.

National Guard troops now in the federal service retain their status as militia and it will require the exercise by the President through proclamation or other executive order to draft the force as a body into the federal army when its militia status ceases.

The time of assembling the National Guard at the first 16 divisional training camps or cantonments to be established will be determined by the availability of supplies and equipment. Presumably no effort will be made to bring all of the guards under the federal status on the same day, but the operation will require some time and the draft will be applied to different organizations at different times.

#### SWEAR TO AVENGE MURDER OF BABY.

#### 14 Springfield Men Visit Grave of Buddie Keet and Vow Vengeance.

Springfield, Mo., June 12.—In the faint hours of darkness this morning 14 Springfield men visited the new-made grave of "Buddie" Keet and took an oath that they would avenge the murder of the heir to millions.

Four automobiles with lights dimmed, slid down the curving road and the men picked their way through the trees and took their places so that they made a circle around the fresh mound. At the head of the grave the leader removed his hat. The other 13 hats came off and the men stood with bowed heads.

"Men this is not the end of it," said the leader. "Buddie can't rest easy here until we have wiped out the one who murdered him. When we find who killed Buddie, we find who is going to die. Are you ready for the oath?"

"Thirteen hands were raised.

"By the God that made us, we pledge ourselves to get revenge for the murder of Buddie Keet; to safeguard our own homes and to clear the Ozarks of the murderers and stealers of children."

Officials today were searching for a woman of enigmatic identity, who, they believe, was the "brains" of the gang that kidnaped and murdered the infant son of J. Holland Keet.

#### CONDEMNATION PROCEEDING FILED

FOR HAMPSTEAD SCHOOL—UNION STREET LODGE ORDERED TO VACATE SCHOOL HOUSE—CITIZENS FROM MIDDLEBURG DISTRICT WANT FRANKLIN SCHOOL REOPENED—STATE PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE WANT COUNTY AGENT APPOINTED BY BOARD TO HAVE CHARGE OF GIRL'S CANNING CLUB—OTHER INTERESTING NEWS.

At the regular meeting of the Carroll County Board of Education, held in the office of the Board on Wednesday, June 6, all members were present. The meeting was called to order at 8.30 a. m.

After the reading of the minutes, thus approved, and the consideration of unpaid bills, the following matters of business were taken up.

The Committee appointed by the Board at its last meeting, composed of Superintendent Unger and Mr. Chas. O. Clemson, Attorney to investigate the ownership of the Union Street Colored School property, made a report to the Board which was to the effect that under date of June 5th, they served notice to vacate on the Lodge, which Lodge now occupies part of the building and also claims ownership of the property. The Committee reports that the title to this lot is in the possession of the Board of Education basing its conclusion upon deed dated Oct. 7th, 1869, and recorded in Liber J. B. No. 37, Folio 482, etc., from John N. Snowden and wife to Ephraim Smith and others. Trustees of the Union Street Colored School and their county. The lot being 76 feet front on Union street and extending South 74 feet on Westminster and 107 feet on East side to an alley.

The completion of the basement room at Mt. Airy for additional space, also the completion of the basement room at Union Bridge for additional space, was considered. The Board authorized these repairs to be made and to be under the direction of Superintendent Unger.

Mrs. Went and Mrs. Gallagher, of the State Preparedness Committee, came before the Board and presented the desirability of appointing a County Agent to have charge of the Girls Canning Club work in this county. The Board, owing to the fact that it did not have the necessary funds in hand, felt compelled to adhere to its former decision in February, and no action was taken.

Representatives from Middleburg district came before the Board and presented a petition from various patrons of the Franklin school, which school has been closed for about six years on account of low average, and urged the necessity of opening the school this coming fall in view of the fact that there would now be in attendance at that school a sufficient number of pupils to justify its being opened. The Board authorized the Superintendent to make the necessary repairs and arrangements.

The matter of closing the following schools: Bunker, Cross Roads, Wakefield, Morelock's, Mt. View, Poole's and Freedom, was taken up, and the Board let this matter in the hands of Superintendent Unger.

The matter of renting the basement at Medford and equipping the same from Wakefield and Mt. View schools, was next considered, the purpose being to consolidate at this point. The Board authorized Superintendent Unger to put this plan into effect and make the best arrangements possible.

Repairing the unused second room at Wesley to enlarge the school facilities at that point, also the appointment of a primary teacher at that point, was considered, and the Board authorized Superintendent Unger to make the necessary repairs and appointment.

Mr. Allender again made a report to the Board concerning the lot by V. Kenny Leister adjoining the Hampstead school property, to the effect that Leister would make any question whatever to the Board. The Board appointed Mr. Charles O. Clemson, attorney, to seize the land owned by Leister by condemnation proceedings immediately, unless the owner consented to sell the land to the committee heretofore appointed, President Wentz, Superintendent Unger and Commissioner Allender.

The Board authorized the building of a coal house at Oakland Mills, also the putting in of stoves at that point.

The matter of enclosing stormhouse and cloak room at Detour, including the well, was discussed, and the Board ordered that the storm house and cloak room be enclosed.

The letter received from the County Commissioners acknowledging the receipt of the budget was read and authorized to be spread upon the minutes.

The application of Mr. Grove J. Shipley for a pension was presented to the Board, and the motion was made by Mr. Feesser, seconded by Mr. Zentz that his application be approved.

#### Pen-Mar Park Opening.

Next Saturday, June 23rd, will be an auspicious time in the Blue Ridge Region, this being the date of the formal opening of Pen-Mar Park. A number of improvements have been made. All the attractions will be in full sway. Prof. John C. Bohl's popular orchestra will furnish the music. Prof. Tobin will have charge of the dancing. Every Sunday there will be high class concerts, both afternoon and evening. All indications point to this being the banner season of the mountains. Quite a number of persons have already gone there for the season or their vacations. Tickets are now on sale covering one day outings, week-end trips, ten day vacations and the entire season.