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## COURT HOUSE NEWS

### TRANSFERS OF REAL ESTATE, ORPHANS COURT, MARRIAGE LICENSES, ETC.

#### ORPHANS' COURT.

Monday, September 19th.—The last will and testament of Frances E. Bell, deceased, was admitted to probate and letters testamentary thereon were granted unto Leontine Pedro, who received warrant to appraise and an order to notify creditors.

Letters of guardianship of Genevieve E. and Larue C. Wagner, infants, were granted unto Ethel M. Wagner.

David C. Nashbaum, executor of Wm. Fogle, deceased, returned inventories of real and personal property and received an order to sell personal property.

Ella M. Brown, executrix of George A. Brown, deceased, settled her first and final account.

Leontine Pedro, executrix of Frances E. Bell, deceased, returned inventories of personal property and debts.

Letters of administration on the estate of George Z. Wanz, deceased, were granted unto Mary A. Wanz, who received warrant to appraise and an order to notify creditors.

Letters of administration on the estate of J. Calvin Dodder, deceased, were granted unto J. Abram Dodder and John J. Lemmon, who received warrant to appraise and an order to notify creditors.

Tuesday, September 20th.—The sale of real estate of Harvey C. Wisner, deceased, was finally ratified and confirmed.

Averta M. and William J. Yingling, administrators of Elmer E. Yingling, deceased, returned an inventory of personal and received an order to sell personal property.

Frank R. Cassell, executor of Sarah A. L. Gilbert, deceased, reported sale of real estate on which the court granted an order nisi.

George C. Mummaugh, administrator of Mary E. Mummaugh, deceased, returned inventories of personal property and debts.

#### TRANSFERS OF REAL ESTATE.

Edward O. Weant, Trustee, to Wm. A. Warehime and wife, 145 acres for \$7000.

Lorena A. Steele to Harry A. Brown and wife, one acre for \$200.

Sarah E. Houck to Charles W. Mulligan, lot, for \$60.00 per year.

Charles W. Mulligan to Emanuel Straus et al., lot for \$5.

Daniel G. Richardson and wife to Charles C. Williams, tract for \$250.

Harrison Talbot et al. to Clinton Jackson and wife, tract for \$10.

Walter J. Hawkins and wife to William A. Crooks and wife, lot for \$5.

Alfred J. Greene and wife to Mary L. Graf, 1 acre, for \$5.

Mollie E. Eyer and husband, to Kaufman Waskins and wife, tract, for \$10.

Walter E. Buchman, executor, to Earl E. Alban, 2 tracts, for \$7325.

#### MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Joseph H. Rothar of Miami, Florida and Mildred F. Englar of Medford, Ervin Franklin Emler and Minnie Bell Hoke, both of Abbottstown, Pa.

Clyde G. Harner of Cleveland, Ohio, and Ruth E. Hopterbrick of Harney, Theodore D. Stultz and Fannie E. Hatfield, both of New Windsor.

Wesley Allison and Lena Linder, both of Pottstown, Pa.

J. Lewis Buckner and Alda Cromer, both of Hanover, Pa.

Theodore S. Wilson, of Sykesville, and Hilda P. Harrison, of Woodbine.

James O. Leatherberry and Lula Annie Niner, both of New Windsor.

William James, of Silver Run, and Mary Hawk, of Perryville, Pa.

Harry Clay Welty, of Keymar, and Nettie May Vance, of Rocky Ridge.

#### WHITE WOMEN'S GOVERNMENT.

Whether Carroll county shall be governed by white men and white women will depend on the white women's vote. And if Democratic men or women don't register they cannot vote.

## BOY SCOUT MOVEMENT LACKS PUSH.

### GIVE THEM A BOOST. IT MAY MEAN GOOD CITIZENSHIP AND USEFUL MANHOOD.

The Boy Scout movement has not advanced in Westminster as it should if it were fully understood and appreciated as it deserves. It is growing all over the country and as President Harding said in a recent address bids fair to reach the million mark in membership within the next year. That means a million boys being trained in good citizenship and useful manhood, and when that is accomplished, we will solve the problem of unrest and its kindred ills, far better than in any other way. Boys are naturally full of life and spirit, and if that enthusiasm is trained into the right channels can not help but bring good results. I wish I had time to tell you of the wonderful work of the Boy Scouts as I have witnessed it in times of danger, as for instance keeping a crowd of several thousand people back out of the danger zone at the burning of the State House in Charleston last winter. Their successful house to house canvass, in pledging the citizens to plant thousands of roses to help beautify the city, their service in all public gatherings, etc., but my time is limited—and I want to make a plea and a very earnest one for the boys and girls of our own city. Let us stop knocking them and give them a boost. If they are frivolous and idle, we are very much to blame. If they walk the streets and seem to have no definite object in view, it is because nothing better is offered them. We have the remedy right in our hands, and every father and mother should lend their aid to help accomplish it. Every boy and girl in Westminster over 12 years of age, should be enrolled as a Boy Scout, a Girl Scout or a Camp Fire Girl—and these are their immediate needs. A room that can be used as headquarters, where they can hold their meetings, store their camp equipments, and have a place to invite parents and friends. They need Scout-master, and assistants. The former must be 21 and the latter 18 or over. They need an active Council and Court of Honor, men for the boys, and women for the girls, who will feel an interest in them, and who will confer their honors and merit badges publicly, in the presence of those who are interested in them, and whose presence and approbation will spur them on to greater effort. We want volunteers for this work. People with the interest of our town and the welfare of our boys and girls at heart, and who are willing to spare a little of their time to helping them lead themselves—who will be the list to volunteer?

These are your boys. Please observe them.

Loyal and honest and true, Pay attention while I introduce them, And tell you some things they can do.

A Scout must be trust-worthy, loyal—Helpful, friendly, courteous, kind—Obedient, cheerful and thrifty.

Brave, clean, with a reverent mind.

"Be prepared" is the Boy Scout's motto.

"Be alert!" "be ready to serve!"—A kind act each day to another, "In danger, keep steady his nerve."

"First Aid" in time of disaster, "Be kind" to the helpless and poor, "Be clean" in body and spirit, "Can you ask of your boy, any more?"

Share with them your time and your money, Help them to be noble and strong, And you'll find the boys of our city, Would rather do right, than do wrong.

Give them the chance they are asking, They are only demanding their right, That you who brought them into being, Should help them to win in life's fight.

They're our Town and our Country's best asset, Far better than silver or gold, They're the men who will take our places, When we are decrepit and old.

There are more just like them in Carroll, Just longing for something to do, All they need is your co-operation, And I want to help them, Don't you?

Mary Bostwick Siftelman.

## IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH.

Rev. C. G. Leatherman, pastor. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Leatherman, son, Norman and daughters, Elizabeth and Caroline, spent Saturday and Sunday with his brother, Rev. C. G. Leatherman and family.

The social which was held in the social hall of the church Saturday evening last was largely attended. The proceeds for the evening were \$69.20.

The Memorial Quartette of Baltimore rendered a number of choice selections, which were enjoyed by all.

Rally Day services will be held Sunday, September 25, at 9.30 a. m. A program in keeping with the day will be rendered. Come and enjoy the service with us.

Pastor preaches every Sunday at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m.

## CARROLL TAKES LEAD.

### FIRST COUNTY TO REORGANIZE WOMEN IN DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.

Carroll county Democrats were the first to recognize women in the State Convention in Baltimore on Tuesday. They selected Mrs. Carrie E. Wanz to be a member of the committee on credentials. Ours was the only county to accord this honor to a woman delegate. Carroll and Frederick were the only counties to be represented in the convention by women. The women delegates from Carroll were: Mrs. Eleanor Birnie, of Taneytown; Mrs. Corinne Frankforter, of Manchester; Mrs. Ada S. McDaniel, of Westminster; and Mrs. Carrie E. Wanz, of Westminster. They were joined at the Hotel Rennett where conferences preliminary to the convention were held, and later in the convention hall, by Mrs. Frank Z. Miller, of Westminster; Mrs. Gregory, of Manchester; Mrs. Edward P. Brundige, of Westminster; and other Democratic women. The other Carroll county delegates were Robert E. Lee Hutchins, Jacob H. Marker and Albert M. Moore. Mr. Musgrave was chairman of the delegation and Carroll's representative on the committee on resolutions. Among the Carroll Democrats who were onlookers at the convention were former Senator Besant, of Sykesville, and Leonard Gosnell, of Woodbine.

## DEATHS.

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## Carter's Tavern

### A RENDEVOUS FOR HUCKSTERS AND DROVERS TRAVELING TO BALTIMORE FROM THE WEST.

About five miles northwest of Sykesville at the intersection of the Washington and Liberty roads, stands a historical mansion, the nucleus of which was built during the administration of Old Hickory. There have been several additions made from time to time since that period.

Before the Civil War, Harry Carter kept a tavern at this place, which was famed from Dan to Ben Sheba for the excellence of its menu and its old-fashioned Maryland cooking, as well as for its liquid refreshments. This tavern commanded a larger trade than any other between Frederick and Baltimore.

At that time large quantities of country produce were hauled in old fashioned huckster wagons, covered with canvas tightly stretched over the semi-circular, high arched bows with a prominent projection, both in front and behind so as to shield from inclement weather. Long trains of these wagons, both going to Baltimore and returning therefrom, would be halted at Carter's where the drivers would spend money freely as water over the bar, as well as for meals and lodging.

This hotel was also familiarly known as the "Drover's Inn." In those days large droves of horses, cattle, sheep and hogs were driven on foot down the Liberty road from Western Maryland to the Baltimore Market. Upon reaching Carter's they would be turned into the long green meadow, adjacent to the hotel, traversed by running water and thickly covered with nutritious blue grass, while the drovers sought rest and refreshments at the inn. After Carter, Augustus Dorsey ran the hotel. Dorsey's wife was a member of the F. F. V's of the Old Dominion, being closely connected both by social and sanguinary ties with the aristocratic Crestis family. They had a large family of girls and boys all of whom were ardent abolitionists and southern sympathizers, and one of whom the late Albert H. Dorsey, familiarly known as "Bud," served in the Confederate Army under the dashing Harry Gilmore. More than a score of years after the close of the sectional war, he was elected sheriff of Carroll county, upon the Democratic ticket by a substantial majority. In July, 1863, after Lee's decisive defeat at Gettysburg, straggling parties of Confederates "traveling back to old Virginia," stopped at Dorsey's Hotel and were royally feted and entertained by the host and his family. Several different brands of good old liquors that at the present time would seriously violate the Volstead Act, were hilariously consumed.

Upon being asked by the host if they would try some of his home-made mead, they all vehemently declined, asserting that they had more mead than they wanted at Gettysburg.

## W. M. C. FOOT BALL SCHEDULE.

The W. M. C. has the following schedule for the coming foot ball season:

October 1—W. M. C. vs. St. John's, at Annapolis.

October 8—George Washington University vs. W. M. C., at Washington.

October 15—W. M. C. vs. Albright College, here.

October 22—W. M. C. vs. Mt. St. Mary's College, here.

October 29—W. M. C. vs. Johns Hopkins, at Baltimore.

November 5—W. M. C. vs. Delaware College at Newark.

November 12—W. M. C. vs. Drexel Institute, here.

November 19—W. M. C. vs. Washington College, here.

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## ROBINSON-BLIZZARD

A quiet but beautiful wedding ceremony was solemnized on Monday evening, September 12th, when Michael Fringer Robinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Robinson, of Baltimore, and Edna Marie Blizzard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Blizzard, of Smallwood, were united in matrimony at the home of the bride's parents, in the presence of a small company of relatives and friends. Rev. J. N. Link officiated. It was a beautiful sight when the bridal couple, attendants at their side, surrounded by masses of glorious autumn flowers, took upon themselves their holy vows. After the ceremony, refreshments were served and then Mr. and Mrs. Robinson left for Baltimore to catch the midnight train for Buffalo and points of interest in Canada. Upon their return they will reside in Baltimore where Mr. Robinson is employed in the Tariff Department of the B. & O. R. R. Mrs. Robinson taught several schools in this county and Baltimore.

## Miss Rappe Buried; Funeral Is Simple.

Los Angeles, Sept. 19.—They buried Virginia Rappe today.

The film actress, who died following the fatal party staged by Roscoe "Fatty" Arbuckle in San Francisco, was given a simple but impressive funeral from an undertaking parlor in Hollywood. The Rev. Frank Rousebush, an Episcopal clergyman, officiated.

There were a number of beautiful floral offerings, the most pretentious being a blanket of 1000 ft.—1000 sent by Miss Rappe's fiancé, Henry Lehman of New York. There was also a pillow of roses from Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hardebeck of Los Angeles, her adopted uncle and aunt.

A throng estimated at from 6000 to 7000 persons viewed the body of the actress, known as the "best-dressed woman in the movies," as it lay in state from 10 to 4 o'clock Sunday.

Today's funeral arrangements were under the personal direction of Norman Tanrog, a close friend of Henry Lehman. Interment was made in Hollywood Cemetery, the body being laid to rest beside Miss Helen Morrison, secretary to Lehman, who died two years ago of influenza.

## 2ND. ANNUAL AUTOMOBILE SHOW

Carroll Post No. 31, American Legion, is making arrangements for the second annual Automobile Show to be held in the Westminster Armory, October 26 to 29 inclusive.

The splendid success of last year's show has aroused much enthusiasm among the dealers and the members of the Legion, consequently with their united interest, and experiences from the former year, Carroll county will have a larger and more attractive show than the previous one.

## THE NEW TIME TABLE

The W. M. R. put into effect last Sunday its fall and winter schedule. The time of the arrival of trains in this city, both East and West, are as follows:

Trains West—5.00, 9.16 a. m., 3.46, 5.38, 7.50 p. m., daily. Sunday, 8.57, 9.16 a. m., 3.46, 8.16 p. m.

Trains East—6.21, 7.15, 9.32 a. m., 5.18, 6.55 p. m. Sunday, 7.15, 9.32 a. m., 5.18, 6.55 p. m.

## WOMEN DEMOCRATS.

### ALERT

#### THEY WILL ORGANIZE A COUNTY WIDE CLUB ON MONDAY EVENING.

Democratic women of Carroll county are already awake and alert. In order to assist in securing a full registration of voters on Tuesday, October 4th, and Tuesday, October 11th, and to do their duty in redeeming Carroll county for their party and in establishing good and economical county government they will organize a county wide club in Westminster on Monday evening at the Opera House. To this meeting all Democratic women are not only invited but are also expected to attend. It will not be a dance or a pink tea. It is for business, and that business will be to secure a full registration of Democratic women and men and to arouse all voters to the importance of a Democratic victory in Carroll county in November. The club to be organized on Monday evening will be the forerunner of branch clubs throughout the county. There is no cut-and-dried program for the meeting.

## BARRENS COVERING 32,000 ACRES

### GERMAN SETTLEMENTS CLEARED SMALL TRACKS OF LAND—BRANDENBURG CUT THE TIMBER AND MADE IT INTO CHAR COAL.

Perhaps not all the Carroll county readers of the Advocate are aware of the fact that there still exists in the districts of Berrett and Freedom a region of country locally known as the "Barrens." This tract extends from the source of Piney Run, on the West, eastward to the village of Johnsville, and from Big Morgan's Run on the North; southward to the head waters of Buckhorn Creek; embracing an area of about 50 square miles or 32,000 acres. A very large portion of the Barrens is rocky, hilly and unutilized; covered with pine and wild cherry. A vast wilderness, a grand and congenial sylvan shade that would delight the heart of a Cowper. A veritable hunter's paradise, teeming with quail, woodcock, squirrels and rabbits, ground hogs, opossums, raccoons and foxes, abound in large numbers. During the last two decades several families of German extraction have located in the Barrens, cleared small tracts of land, and by their characteristic energy and industry in those places to blossom like the rose. Among the most prominent pioneers of this region may be mentioned—Archibald Porter, Levi Dorsey, James Chaik, and Ira Lodd. Porter, in honor of whom the village of Porter's was named, settled near the present site of this hamlet. He was of English extraction, but severed all connection with friends and relatives across the Big Pond and lifted the life of a hermit in the wilds of what is now Carroll county. Dorsey lived in a dug-out in the side of a hill near Piney Run, upon which stream he constructed a dam and built a small grist and chop mill. Chalk squatted on land now owned by Harry Bushey, and Lodd, on an adjacent tract. Both which at that time brought a very large price in the Baltimore market. Less than a decade subsequent in the formation of Carroll county, William Brandenburg established a grist and saw mill upon Piney Run. The saw mill was a very primitive affair, consisting of a simple perpendicular saw, which was propelled by water power, up an down, in sawing through a log.

## INJURED IN AUTO ACCIDENT.

By meeting in a head-on collision Sunday night in automobiles, Arthur Michaels and Ralph Brown, this city, are in York Hospital, badly injured. Michaels has a cut three inches long across his chin into the bone. Brown received a broken jaw and fractured arm. Norman Ditman, Earl Thomson and Ezra Rosenstock, who were also occupants, received many cuts and bruises about the face and body. Two young men and two young girls from York, were in the other car and are badly injured. Miss Neva Keeney, one of the young ladies injured, died Tuesday.

The accident happened about 10.30 five miles from York, on Lincoln Highway. Michaels who was driving a hired car of Walter Copperrsmith, this city, was running without lights, it is said, and ran into the York car which was sitting in the road with all lights out. Rosenstock and Thomson were asleep in the car when the crash came. Brown, it is said, went through the windshield of his car into the other car. The York people were taken from under their car by Thomson and Ditman and passing automobiles rushed the injured to the hospital.

Mr. Copperrsmith brought his car home Monday night. It is a complete wreck. Every wheel was smashed, top, fenders, axles, in fact, everything was damaged about the car.

Mary Mallory, colored, of Purcellville, Va., died at the age of 105 years.

## Lightning Strikes Twice.

### RESIDENCE OF W. FRANK THOMAS AND JOHN DRISCOLL DAMAGED.

#### AGED

The residences of W. Frank Thomas on Washington Pike, and John Driscoll, John street, were struck by lightning during the heavy thunder storm Saturday afternoon and damaged the properties considerably.

The stroke that struck the residence of Mr. Thomas played queer pranks. It hit in the chimney and split, one part going down the outside of the chimney, following the roof, ripping the shingles loose and damaging the rafters badly. The other part went down the chimney, through the stove and out the door, which was open.

Mr. Thomas' children were stunned but not seriously. The concrete block on the chimney was reduced to powder from the hot stroke.

The bolt that struck Mr. Driscoll's residence hit at the chimney, split it to pieces and tearing open on the East end gable and roof. Mr. Carroll Driscoll was stunned, the bolt passing down the outside of the room he was in.

## THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS WERE ADOPTED AT THE CARROLL CO. W. C. T. U. CONVENTION HELD AT UNION BRIDGE, SEPTEMBER 8.

No. 1. In this time of moral and spiritual laxity when so many are departing from the old landmarks of Righteousness, be it resolved: That no man be supported for public office who is opposed to the Volstead enactment. Further, as a liberal Sunday means no Sunday at all, we earnestly protest against the election of any man for State Assembly who advocates a violation of the Christian Sunday.

No. 2. That we use every possible effort to secure the proper observance of the Lord's day, discouraging the pleasures that interfere with the duties and privileges of the day.

No. 3. Since women have the suffrage we will, as citizens of this great republic, support at the coming election those candidates who stand for the enforcement of the 18th Amendment. Each woman should be a committee of one to secure the registration and vote of all the women of the community.

No. 4. We are impressed with the vital importance of Americanizing the Foreigner in our midst, and we emphasize the necessity of teaching the responsibilities of citizenship, especially to the mothers.

No. 5. That we impress the minds of the children as to the evils of using profane language, that we reiterate our continued condemnation of the use of the cigarette and that we urge the authorities to enforce the Cigarette Law.

No. 6. Resolved, that we reaffirm our faith in the Cardinal principals of Liberty and Justice regardless of sex or Creed.

No. 7. Resolved, that we the citizens of America, the land we love, consecrate ourselves to the high ideals and sacred duties of American Citizenship to the protection of the Home and Country, and the rooting out of the injurious liquor traffic, and all the evils that follow in its wake that have been such a scourge in this and other lands.

No. 8. We welcome a united call from all the Churches of America for Disarmament, a Prayer for universal peace and brotherhood.

Committee: Mrs. Clara S. Billingsley, Westminster; Mrs. Bach, Union Bridge; Mrs. Evans, Carrollton; Mrs. Bixler, New Windsor; Mrs. Armacost, Finksburg.

## THE MANY BALTIMORE FRIENDS OF FORMER JAMES A. C. BOND, OF WESTMINSTER, ARE ANXIOUSLY AWAITING HIS REAPPEARANCE HERE AFTER HIS VISIT TO ENGLAND.

They want to hear what he has to say and what he heard in London. According to reports, which have reached here, the former Judge devoted considerable time to a study of the Bond family in England. He is reported to have made several interesting discoveries about his ancestors on the other side of the Ocean, even tracing his lineage to the holder of a defunct dukedom. It is even reported that an offer was made to revive the title and to lodge it in him. He is further reported as having declined, being fully content to remain a plain American citizen.

There is a determined war on between the coal dealers and coal consumers. It is really a buyer's strike. The dealers declare that they will not reduce prices. Buyers say they cannot afford to pay the prices. In the meantime coal is accumulating in yards. There is a surplus supply of 50,000 tons. The railroads have practically placed an embargo on shipments until some of the surplus stock shall have been disposed of.

To solve in part the shortage in hotel accommodations the Belvedere will add 500 rooms to its present list. Adjoining buildings on Charles street, owned by the hotel, will be torn down. The addition to arise with site will be of the same height as the present structure.

## CITY AND COUNTIES

### REVIVAL OF OLD ANIMOSITY ATTEMPTED BY BALTIMORE'S SELF—SEEKING POLITICIANS—THE PASSING SHOW AT STATE METROPOLIS.

Special correspondent.

Baltimore, September 23.—A coterie of publicity seeking politicians is again reverting to its favorite pastime arraying the city against the counties. This baiting has been going on for many years. It was believed that it had been curbed when a large slice of Baltimore county, was swallowed by the city. Even before this territory is digested the baiters are at their old game. They are now raising the cry of increase of the city's representation in the Senate and House of Delegates to the extent of 40 per cent of the whole membership. Stephen W. Gambrill, who has been renominated by Howard county Democrats, hit the nail on the head when he declared that if given control of 40 per cent of the stock of a corporation he would control the whole corporation.

The shouters for the 40 per cent membership first knocked at the doors of the Democratic State Convention on Tuesday. When the party leaders in the city were consulted they were quick to reply that such a proposition could never be carried through. They said they were willing to take chances on an increase of two city districts by which they would gain two Senators and 12 members of the House. The convention in its platform agreed to stand for this proposition, which must first be voted upon by the Legislature and then by the people as a referendum at the election.

DeCoursey W. Thom, who is at the head of what is styled "Just Representation League," and "who has not won lasting fame as a Democrat, was not a good sport. Now he is howling that the city must look to the Republicans for relief." If the Republicans believe they can make headway at the election by endorsing the 40 per cent proposition they are welcome to it. Under existing conditions men and women in Baltimore, irrespective of parties, are not clamoring for such an increase in the city's legislation delegation as the baiters are asking for. There is at least some reason for the plank in the Democratic platform pledging two additional legislative districts in the city. Under the last census and in conformity with the State Constitution the gain counties of members of the House. If the Democratic plank is finally enacted into a law the city will therefore, score a net gain of only five members in the House and two Senators.

The Democratic State Convention incorporated in its platform Governor Ritchie's reorganization plans, which will be put into concrete shape by a committee headed by former Judge N. Charles Burke. By these plans it is proposed to consolidate several offices, bring other offices into closer cooperation, and to abolish others. The objects in view are two fold—to secure greater efficiency in the State government and to reduce the expenses of the government. The latter proposition ought to appeal to all citizens in these days of burdensome taxation. The limit of taxes, national, State and county, has been reached. New sources of public revenue are exhausted. The only means, therefore, for lightening the tax burdens is to reduce the expenses of government. Baltimore city and the several counties, including Carroll, might well emulate the example set by Governor Ritchie. It is up to the Republicans to submit better plans than those fostered by Governor Ritchie.

Make good, or make room.