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CLARKSBURG, W. VA. THURSDAY, MAY 25, 1911.

PRICE TWO CENTS

STROTHER AND LILLER ENGAGE IN HOUSE SPAT

When Strother Attempts to Criticize the State Administration.
BOTH BILLS REFERRED
By the House to Its Special Committee of Twenty-One Members.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., May 25.—Both the Coffman, Republican, and the French, Democratic, primary bills were introduced in the House, when that body convened today and both were referred to the special committee of twenty-one.

FUNERAL HERE

Of Mrs. Charles Davis Saturday Morning, Who Dies in Local Hospital.

The funeral and burial of Mrs. Charles Davis will take place Saturday forenoon. The funeral will be in the Warner Undertaking Company's funeral church at 10 o'clock Saturday morning and the interment will be at the Masonic cemetery.

MAPLE SYRUP

Is Given Senator Chilton by Vermonters to Sweeten Him Up.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 25.—Senator Carroll S. Page, of Vermont, has sent each of his colleagues a gallon of Vermont Maple Syrup and a couple of pounds of maple sugar. Senator Chilton in thanking Senator Page for the present, told him of the days when he was a boy and took part in the sugar "stirring" in West Virginia, saying the syrup from Vermont was the nearest approach to the sugar of those days he has found since.

WEST VIRGINIANS

Are Visitors at the Federal Capital and They Take in the Sights.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—Among the West Virginians here are F. A. Chapman, former prosecuting attorney of Brooks county, who was a caller at the office of Congressman Davis; William McDonald, of Keyser, who was shown through the capitol by Congressman Brown, and given a glimpse of the Senate in session; J. H. Craig and daughter, of Sumnerville, who are returning home from a trip to Roanoke and Richmond, Va.

COOK ARRAIGNED.

COLEMBUS, O., May 25.—Editor E. E. Cook, of Columbus, and Attorney Charles Pretzman were arraigned today before Justice Bostwick on a charge of contempt for refusing to testify before the Senate bribery investigating committee, but after a brief hearing the court adjourned until tomorrow.

OPERA HOUSE MEN.

Reuben Robinson and E. L. Moore, of Wheeling, and Will DeShon, of Fairmont, are here on business connected with the erection of the Moore opera house here. As yet the plans have not been completed.

BLACK ELECTED

President of the Clarksburg District Christian Endeavor Society.

The Clarksburg District Christian Endeavor Society at its convention at Jane Lew this week elected officers as follows:
Louis E. Black, of Clarksburg, president; Prof. U. I. Jenkins, of Buckhannon, vice president; Miss Lena Rittenbender, of Clarksburg, secretary and treasurer; Miss Viola Richards, of Clarksburg, superintendent of Junior work; and Mrs. E. A. Brooks, of Weston, superintendent of missions.

MANNINGTON

Is Designated as the Third Place in State for Postal Savings Bank.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 25.—The postoffice department seems to have given a second thought to the matter of establishing postal savings banks in West Virginia, for Mannington is on the list of offices where the new banks are to be established on July 25. It will be the third in the state, the first at Grafton and the second at Wellsburg.

HEARINGS CONTINUED.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 25.—The West Virginia coal rate hearings before the Interstate Commerce Commission have been continued until June 24.

NYE NEEDED MONEY TO KILL OHIO BILL

THE WYOMING

Government's Latest Drednaught is Launched at Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, May 25.—The battleship Wyoming, the nation's latest dreadnaught, was launched today. It will carry a dozen twelve-inch and thirty smaller guns, two torpedo tubes, fifty-four officers and 1,000 men.

MEETING OF MEDICAL SOCIETY.

The monthly business meeting of the Harrison County Medical Society will be held tonight, beginning at 8:30 o'clock, in the society's rooms in the Empire building.

NEW POSTOFFICES

Are Established at Various Points in the State by the Department.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—The following new postoffices have been established in West Virginia: Auto, Greenbrier county, four miles west of Falling Spring, with Lillie V. Somerville as postmaster; Broam, Kanawha county, two and one-half miles east of Dial, with William W. Graham as postmaster; Rift, McDowell county, 4 miles southeast of Berwind, Emory L. Warner as postmaster.

An increase in the mail service between Ketterman and Brushy Run

VERY SMALL IS PERCENT OF IMPROVED HIGHWAYS IN THIS STATE THUS FAR

HANG

Does the Last Jury Serving at the Present Term of Circuit Court.

The jury in the case of the Johns-Manville Company against the Dawson Rocking Company in the circuit court agreed to disagree and it was finally discharged by Judge Charles W. Lynch from the case and for the term. It was the only jury to hang this term. Judge Lynch announces that the term will continue several days.

A dismissal decree was entered in the suit of Ashby McClelland Ash against William H. Ash, executor of the estate of the late Ludum Ash.

A similar decree was entered in the case of Samsco W. Harbert against Benjamin W. Harbert et al.

The city of Clarksburg presented its bill of exceptions in the damage suit of Howard B. Post, administrator of Allen Nelson, deceased, against it.

An order was made confirming the report of W. M. Conaway, commissioner of school lands, and directing him to pay \$719.06 into the state treasury.

A motion for a new trial in the suit of L. H. Thorp et al. against Simeon Dawson et al. was denied and judgment for \$178.37 was entered.

The defendants made application for a suspension to give time to apply for an appeal to the state supreme court.

A new trial was ordered in the suit of the American Slicing Company against Thomas C. White and Company upon motion of the plaintiff.

A motion for a new trial in the suit of the Fairmont & Grafton Gas Company against Worthy G. Thompson was denied and a similar order was made in the case of the Philadelphia Company of West Virginia against Vance L. Hornor.

DAUGHTER BORN.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. George Redfox of Thompson street, Thursday morning. Mother and babe are doing nicely.

TROOPS

At the Philippi Reunion to Be Under the Command of Captain Boughner.

Captain Duncan Boughner has been designated as commander of the state troops at Philippi, when the reunion of the Blue and the Gray is held there next week. The following orders have been issued in connection with the movement of troops and their duties there:

State of West Virginia, Adjutant-General's Office, Charleston, May 3, 1911. General orders No. 19.

The organized militia of the State of West Virginia having been invited by the citizens of Philippi and Barbour county to participate in the celebration of the semi-centennial anniversary of the first engagement of the Civil war, which celebration is not only of state wide, but of national importance, the following troops are ordered to proceed to Philippi to arrive thereat on the evening of May 31, 1911, to remain until the evening of June 3, 1911:

Company K, First Infantry, quarter-master, First Infantry, quartermaster and commissary.

Company K, First Infantry, The following troops will proceed to Ravenswood, W. Va., on May 23, remaining there until May 29, and leaving Ravenswood in time to arrive at Philippi not later than the morning of May 30, 1911:

Company K, First Infantry, Captain John E. Robins, Medical corps.

Company K, First Infantry, Captain John C. Hutsiniller, Quartermaster department.

Company K, First Infantry, Four enlisted men.

The following troops will leave Sistersville, W. Va., in time to arrive at Philippi on the evening of May 31, 1911:

Company K, First Infantry, Two enlisted men of the Hospital corps, to be detailed by the commanding officer, Hospital corps.

Company K, First Infantry, Captain John C. Bond, Pay Department, will proceed to Philippi as soon as his duties at Ravenswood

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SHINNISTON TEAM

Will Play Clarksburg Baseball Team at Union Park Grounds Sunday.

The next baseball attraction at Union Park Sunday, May 28, will be the strong Shinniston team. Shinniston has the reputation of having a strong team. Satterfield of the P. O. M. League will be on the mound for Shinniston with Schenk, formerly of the Beaver Falls club, catching. The team will arrive on the 1:30 o'clock car accompanied by a large crowd of rooters from the down river town. Shinniston has been practicing daily for this occasion, knowing that when they hit the Clarksburg bunch they will have their hands full.

The home boys are practicing daily at Union park and are in the best of condition. The line-up for both teams will be announced later.

A general admission of 25 cents will be charged including the grand stand. It is the manager's hope that the boys will all turn out for the game as it is expected to be a hot one.

STATE PROTECTS

Lives of Men Who Are Fighting Flames in the Cook Coal Mine.

Frank E. Parsons, deputy mine inspector, is giving personal attention to the fire in the Cook mine of the Hutchinson Coal Company at Meadowbrook in order to see that the lives of the fire fighters are properly protected. His work is being done at the instance of the state mining department and the state had the consolation fan there installed in the mine. While the fire has been confined to certain parts of the mine by sealing, it is still burning fiercely and it will be several days before it is extinguished. There has already been a heavy loss.

UNVEILING

Of Monuments to Be Arranged by Woodmen of the World.

TRIVIAL THINGS ARE THE CAUSES OF MINE FIRES

Declares Herbert M. Wilson, Chief Engineer of the Bureau of Mines.

NEW YORK, May 25.—Callers to appreciate the seriousness of mine fires and a lack of adequate fire protection have resulted in the loss of hundreds of lives and the destruction of millions of dollars worth of property in the last few years, according to a statement made at the annual meeting of the National Fire Protection Association by Herbert M. Wilson, chief engineer of the Federal Bureau of Mines. Mr. Wilson went further and declared that two of the most serious disasters in coal mines in the last two years, one at Cherry, Ill., in which 222 lives were lost and the other at the Panoast mine, near Scranton, Pa., in which seventy-four lives were lost, originated from trivial causes and ought to have been quickly extinguished without the sacrifice of human life.

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"Besides the loss of life, fires have cost much in money. At Deadwood, S. D., \$1,000,000 has been spent in fighting a fire in a metal mine. Today fires are raging in coal and metal mines in various parts of the country. Some of them have gotten beyond control, and have been burning for many years, devouring hundreds of thousands of tons of coal and miles of mine galleries. One mine fire near Carbondale, Pa., has burned out such a vast area of anthracite coal in the last ten years as to result in a subsidence of the surface and destruction of surface property. Near Summit Hill, Pa., a fire which has been burning fifty-one years is estimated to have destroyed \$25,000,000 worth of coal. Near Jobs, O., a tract of coal valued at several million dollars has been burning since 1884. In some of the deeper metal mines at Butte, Mont., fires have been burning in the old mine timbers since 1889. In the Comstock vein in Nevada, thousands of feet of tunnels which had been opened and timbered at great ex-

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SAIL FOR EUROPE

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And the New Provisional Government Assumes Authority.

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MOTHER

Of Six Children Dies at Her Home in the Suburb of Grassell.

Mrs. Flora Gutierrez, wife of Francisco Gutierrez, died of a complication of diseases at 9 o'clock Thursday morning at her home at Grassell. She was 38 years old. Besides her husband she leaves six children. The funeral will take place at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon with a service at the late home and interment at the Holy Sepulchre cemetery at Quiet Dell. The date of the

BAR CLERKS WIN.

Is an especially "hard fought" and exciting twilight game of baseball at Union Park last evening, the Bar Clerks won from the Painters by a score of 8 to 4. William Shorry starred but was hit in the eye. The injury is not serious.

BAND CONCERT

Will Be Given on the Lawn of the Court House Here Tonight.

The Pythian band under the direction of John A. Shinn will give a free concert in the court house yard tonight at 7:30 o'clock. The merchants object to Saturday night concerts. They say it hurts business and in the future these concerts will be given other nights of the week. The program tonight will be as follows:

- Yale Varsity March.....Johnson
- Loyal and True.....Rosenkraus
- Carnival of the Winged Songsters.....Johnson
-Barnhouse
- Waltz—Love's Devotion.....Johnson
- Two step—Bills.....H. Brown
- Pot and Peasant.....Suppe
- Sbrig of Shillalah.....M. Barile
- Elk's Minstrel Overture.....Bill
- Our Glorious Flag.....Rosenkraus

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FIRES ARE RAGING

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CORNER STONE

Of Court House at Elizabeth Will Be Laid by Grand Lodge of Masons.

The laying of the corner stone of the new court house at Elizabeth, May 30, Decoration Day, will be under charge of the Masonic Grand Lodge of West Virginia, with Judge L. N. Tavener, of Parkersburg, as grand master, and Hunter H. Moss, also of Parkersburg, as the orator. Mt. Olive Lodge, No. 3, of Parkersburg, has also been invited to participate. Calvary Commandery of the same city has been designated as the escort for the Grand Lodge. The Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, the Junior Order and other organizations will participate.

The celebration will be in the nature of a home coming and a farmers' picnic, in which all former residents of Elizabeth will make an effort to be present on that occasion.

The Little Kanawha railroad will run a special train on that date, leaving Parkersburg at 8 o'clock in the morning and leaving on the

Chicago Grain Market.

CHICAGO, May 25.—Wheat, 99